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**NON SIBI SED ALIIS**

NOT FOR ONESELF, BUT FOR OTHERS





In November 1985 Dodge Morgan '85 was deemed a hero for sailing around the world solo in a record 150 days. In his commencement address to the graduating class of 1992, he offered the following challenge:

"We need to be uncomfortably honest and forthright, to speak out sometimes without tact. We need to be willing to be unpopular, in the minority. We need to plant in our gut the basic human values we have experienced here at this school, to carry with us a chronic social conscience. We need to take injustice personally, to act personally to right injustice and never to pass it by. We need to feel uncomfortable with our own privileges and powers unless they are put to use for others."

## [ LETTERS ]

### GDA SEAL

March 29, 2001

Being a fellow of the American College of Heraldry and a nationally listed heraldist, may I make a correction to the winter *Archon*? Someone identified the cover as the "GDA Griffon." It should be a lion according to the data in *America Heraldica* edited by E deV. Vermont.

All heraldica organizations in this country, Canada and throughout the world are trying to inform all those interested in proper and correct terms of the subject. I would think that a school with our heritage would be so inclined.

Howard B. Beal '33

### ARCHIVE

February 20, 2001

The photo on the inside cover of the *Archon* was taken in the basement of the infirmary circa 1952. The figure on the left is J. Gilbert Damon (Gibby) '50, GDA's only licensed Ham (W1UGA) at the time. On the right is C. Windisch '52 (a ham in every other way) butchering some military surplus equipment. I think we were the only active members of the radio club. Nor was the club popular with the infirmary crowd because the transmitter interfered with the entertainment radio upstairs. I assume student interest in radio and other technical subjects has gone to computers which are a lot more fun.

Charles Windisch '52



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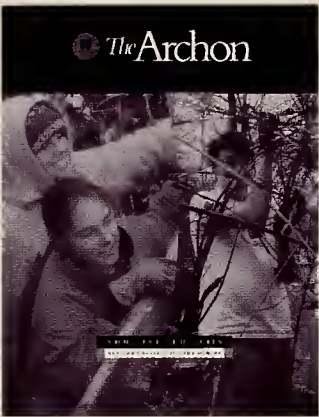
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## Capital Campaign Project Underway

With the demolition of the Thompson Performing Arts Center complete, construction of the new performing arts center commenced in January. This 24,000-square-foot facility will house a 500-seat main auditorium with a balcony and a state-of-the-art sound and lighting system and catwalks. The new performing arts center will also feature a "black box" theatre for smaller student productions and rehearsals, an ensemble room for band and orchestra practices, a number of private lesson and practice rooms and a catering room.

The construction of the performing arts center showcases *The Campaign to Carry On the Work for Governor Dummer Academy*, which was officially launched on October 6, 2000. The \$52 million campaign, the school's most ambitious campaign ever, seeks to provide funds for faculty, programmatic and student support. *The Campaign to Carry on the Work* is an investment in the future of GDA as it will enable the school to provide new buildings and technological infrastructure, attract and retain dedicated faculty, and offer scholarships to insure socio-economic diversity within the student body.

For more information on *The Campaign to Carry On the Work for Governor Dummer Academy* contact Patricia Tobin Peterman, Director of Development, 978.465.1763, [ppeterman@gda.org](mailto:ppeterman@gda.org).

## Young Alums Gather at the Grog

Responding to the call to "Shake Those Tailfeathers," over 100 young alumni/ae turned out for a night on the town on November 22, 2000. On the evening before Thanksgiving, recent GDA graduates gathered for cocktails and conversation at The Grog Restaurant in Newburyport.



Construction of the new Performing Arts Center began this fall



## Holiday Gathering

On December 7, 2000, approximately 200 alumni/ae, present and past parents, and faculty and staff came together at the Harvard Club in Boston for the annual Holiday Gathering. This festive event, hosted by the Alumni/ae Council, has proven to be a very special evening for all attendees. Jim Deveney '60, president of the Council, and his wife Sharon joined Headmaster Marty Doggett and his wife Patty in welcoming all the guests. John Brennan '87, pianist extraordinaire, entertained throughout the evening. Headmaster Doggett's words of welcome and thanks were well received. Next year's gathering will be on December 6, 2001, again at the Harvard Club.



Director of Student Activities Tim Wier,  
and Alumni/ae Council Member  
Marc Tucker '68 P'01



(from left) Sue Nord, Greg Lydon '94,  
and Rob Wattie '89



(from left) Rob DeLena '87, Amy Goldstein '87,  
and Reg Edmonds '88.



(from left) Stratton Newbert '91, Matt Murphy '91, Brooke Whiting '92, and Sally Simpkins '92

## NAIS People of Color & Student Leadership Conference

This winter three faculty members and four students traveled to Nashville, TN to participate in the annual National Association of Independent Schools' People of Color Conference and Student Leadership Conference which ran concurrently December 7-9. Kathy Guy, French teacher and advisor to the International Club; Bao Nguyen, physics teacher; and Elaine White, Academic Dean, attended workshops and speaker events while juniors Vincent Manzi and Peter Ellis and sophomores Susie Valverde and Kristen DeForrest participated in the student leadership conference. The students were a small part of over 900 students from across the United States who worked long hours each day to discuss and address difficult issues of diversity in independent schools. In addition to serving as a resource and offering support for students of color in independent schools, the student leadership conference sought to empower its attendees with the courage to return to their schools and be voices that promote acceptance and encourage diversity. All seven participants returned to GDA grateful for having been fortunate enough to experience such an inspiring and powerful event.



## NAIS, A STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

Kristen DeForrest '03

EVERY PERSON IN HISTORY, AT ONE POINT IN TIME OR ANOTHER,  
HAS HAD AN EXPERIENCE THAT COMPLETELY TRANSFORMED  
HIS OR HER OUTLOOK ON THE WORLD. ALTHOUGH IT WOULD  
TAKE ME A FEW DAYS TO REALIZE IT, THIS PAST DECEMBER  
MARKED THE COMMENCEMENT OF SUCH AN EVENT IN MY LIFE.

On that chilly winter afternoon, I set out for the National Association of Independent Schools' People of Color Conference in Nashville, accompanied by three of my fellow students and a trio of very energetic teachers. Despite the fact that I didn't know very much about what exactly was awaiting me in Tennessee, my enthusiasm far outweighed my nervousness. After all, I'd had plenty of experience with diversity-related issues as a member of GDA's Anti-Defamation League, so I assumed that the trip would provide me with a chance to review some of my ADL skills, not to mention a much-needed break from the stress of classes. As is so often the case with preconceived notions, however, I was wrong. Before the week was over, everything I had ever learned about race and diversity would be shaken to the core, and I would be left to rebuild a new definition of what it means to be a person of color—and even what it means to be white.

Upon arriving at the conference, we were immediately immersed in a series of activities designed to force us out of our "comfort zones" and spark discussions about diversity-related issues. Since schools from around the country were represented, most of these activities were conducted in smaller "home groups"; even within these smaller sections, the diversity of the participants' cultures and opinions was readily apparent. The wide range of viewpoints represented allowed me to look at even the most outwardly simple topic from a variety of angles, and the relaxed manner in which these views were shared made me feel comfortable enough to add some of my own thoughts to the discussion. In one particularly lively exercise, a "gender fishbowl" gave us the opportunity to

ask and answer questions about the thoughts and habits of members of the opposite sex. (Although we girls came up with a lot of good responses to the guys' questions, we were unable to adequately answer the age-old classic, "Why do girls go to the restroom in groups?") On another occasion, conference participants were able to choose from a series of workshops dealing with more focused topics like homosexuality and particular ethnicities. At two "town meetings" held for the entire group, members of the audience were allowed to question a panel of NAIS facilitators, and then comment on their answers. After these meetings ended, we rejoined our "home groups" for a chance to debrief and tie up any loose threads that may have been abruptly left hanging. When people are placed in a situation where they are expected to share personal thoughts and feelings with members of a group, a bond often develops between them. We may have started out as a bunch of teenagers thrown together in a random "home group" assignment, but by the end of the conference we were a family.

For me, the most eye-opening part of the NAIS conference occurred at one of our "town meetings." One of the panelists, an outgoing college girl named Iris who also happened to be my group leader, mentioned that she was compiling stories for a book she was working on, and requested that girls of color submit some anecdotes for the novel. Almost as an afterthought, she mentioned that she didn't want any white girls' stories because, as she put it, "they've got enough books about them anyway." That comment opened a floodgate of racial tension that had been, up until that point, kept largely in check. The rest of that particular

meeting was spent contrasting the pain and hardship people of color can experience in our world with the frustration of the conference's white participants at being alienated and hurt by the same people they had come to support. Startled by the sudden outpouring of resentment against my race from some of the same kids I had come to care for and respect during my stay in Nashville, I can honestly say that I was severely wounded; I had just spent the past few days voicing my support for diversity, and the only thing I was receiving in return was the message that if I knew anything at all about white oppression in society, then I should be ashamed of my race and its history. At that point in time, I wanted nothing more than to abandon the conference and return to the secure cocoon of GDA. In all my anger and self-pity, however, I had lost sight of the fact that the NAIS seminars were, in the end, all about healing, and it took a brief but important talk with my roommate to refocus my attention on the main point of the conference. Thanks to both Iris and my roommate, I was able to view the last day of the seminar through new eyes—eyes that, for the first time, were able to recognize my role in the fight for diversity and identify with the struggles of others.

The NAIS People of Color Conference lasted less than a week, but the lessons I learned there will stay with me for a lifetime. Although my reaction to Iris' opinion was originally negative, it eventually blossomed into a positive outlook full of encouragement and hope. I have to accept the fact that I am, in some situations, a white oppressor simply because of the way I was born. I have discovered, that too, instead of being ashamed of my race for its past sins, I should be proud that there are many others like myself who care enough to set things right. For most of my life, I believed that regardless of skin color or ethnicity, we are all the same. My Nashville family showed me that while factors like race and cultural heritage don't entirely define a person, the experiences he or she has as a member of that group help to shape his or her outlook on life. That, in the end, was the message of the conference: diversity should be celebrated as a vital part of making our world—and, in my case at least, opinions—whole.



## GDA Honor Society

Thirty years ago the GDA Honor Society was established to recognize seniors and juniors who have contributed significantly to our school's community. Individual faculty members vote on a list of students to be considered, and the final honorees are selected by a faculty committee.

Seniors inducted last year include: Nathan Efinger of Andover, MA; Derek Falvey of Lynn, MA; Emily Ouimette of Danvers, MA; and Andrea Tagliamonte of Byfield, MA.

In February the following students were inducted: Alyssa Chirlin '01 of Newburyport, MA; Jeffrey Desmarais '01 of Manchester, NH; and Kimberly Jones '01 of Wenham, MA; Bradley Kasnet '01 of Exeter, NH; Matthew Lee '01 of San Mateo, CA; Margaret Lloyd '01 of Dedham, MA; Maria Moore '01 of Winfield, IL; Leuvis Olivero '01 of Lawrence, MA; Jessica Ross '01 of Ipswich, MA; Shaena Tucker '01 of Newburyport, MA; Mike Askenase '02 of North Reading, MA; James Morrissey '02 of Winchester, MA; Jocelyn Scheintaub '02 of Byfield, MA; and Vanessa Russell '02 of Tewksbury, MA.

## Speaking of Learning—Mapping the Frontiers of Science

In October, GDA parent Dr. Morris Levitt P'01 inaugurated the 2000–2001 Interdisciplinary Seminar Series, *Mapping the Frontiers of Science*, with a discussion on the use of mapping as a scientific tool. This four part speaker series was coordinated and led by Stephen Metz Science Department Chair and Chris Stowens Fine Arts Department Chair.

The first guest speaker for the series was Harvard astrophysicist Dr. Robert Kirshner who explored the first topic: *Mapping the Universe*. Dr. Kirshner is the Associate Director of the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics and is a Professor of Astronomy at Harvard University. His recent work on the acceleration of the universe was dubbed the "Science Breakthrough of the Year for 1998" by *Science Magazine*.

Dr. Cassandra Smith was the second guest speaker and presented a seminar on *Mapping the Human Genome*. Dr. Smith is the Deputy Director of the Center for Advanced Biotechnology at Boston University and a professor in the BU Biomedical Engineering Department. In her research she has worked on the Human Genome Project and on mapping the *E. coli* genome.

In February the third speaker in the series, Dr. Jonathan Levitt led a discussion, *Mapping the Human Brain*. Dr. Levitt is a neurobiologist who teaches courses in physiology, as well as undergraduate and graduate courses in neuroscience for the biology department of the City College of the City University of New York. He uses electrophysiological, neuroanatomical, optical imaging, and theoretical modeling techniques to study the brain regions mediating vision.

The fourth and final speaker for the event

was Dr. David Reed, a computer software developer and researcher. On April 23RD he led a seminar and discussion on *Mapping the Internet*.

## 2001 Milestone Wins Praise

Walsworth Publishing Company, publisher of GDA's yearbook, has recognized the 2001 Milestone as an outstanding yearbook. The publication, which is currently in production, was praised for the "Hollywood" style photos that were produced and will be included in this year's book. Milestone editors Lauren Bonaventura '01 of Topsfield, MA and Alyssa Chirlin '01 of Newburyport, MA accepted the award at the "2001 Gallery of Awards" luncheon in Boston on April 2, 2001.

## THE BRANTWOOD CLUB



Photograph of (from left) Alyssa Chirlin '01, Adam Shelley '01, Sam Porter '01, John Shuster '01, and Lauren Bonaventura '01 (front), taken by David Oxtan for the award-winning Milestone



## Scholastic Art Awards

Each year *The Boston Globe* hosts the Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards, an art competition open to students of both private and public high schools throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The New England Art Education Conference in cooperation with the Massachusetts Art Education Association administers the program. Students submitted portfolios in various art forms including painting and drawing, ceramics, sculpture, jewelry, graphic design, photography and computer graphics.

The talent and efforts of five students from Governor Dummer Academy were recognized—a considerable accomplishment in that only 850 students in the entire state received awards. Peter Ellis '02, Jessie Kendrick '01, Vin Manzi '02 and Jason Sport '04 were awarded Gold Keys, the highest honor, and Michael Oxton '03 received Honorable Mention. Congratulations to all!



Jason Sport '04



Peter Ellis '02



"Picture Perfect," by Anabel Perdomo '02



Caitlin McIntosh '01



Maria Moore '01



# Harvard Model Congress

Twenty-seven GDA students participated in the 16TH session of Harvard Model Congress in Boston in February. It was GDA's sixth consecutive year at HMC, and its largest delegation ever.

For four days and three nights, the Sheraton Boston Hotel became a virtual replica of Washington, D.C. as 1500 students from 70 high schools across the country simulated American democracy in action, directed by

students from Harvard and Radcliffe colleges. GDA's student delegates, ably led by HMC President Matthew DiGuiseppe '01 and Vice-President Marienna Murch '02, roleplayed U.S. senators, representatives, party leaders and attorneys arguing constitutional cases before the U.S. Supreme Court.

In this government simulation, which began with a keynote address by Bob Franks (New Jersey Congressman who recently completed his fourth term), students authentically grappled with real issues facing the United States today. One delegate, Daniel Guyton '03, prepared to represent Massachu-

setts as Governor Argeo Paul Cellucci but, in light of President Bush's nomination of Cellucci that week for U.S. ambassador to Canada, Guyton found when he arrived at HMC that he instead had to adopt the persona of newly appointed Governor Jane Swift.

Students also revisited past legislative concerns. Murch participated in a Historical Committee re-enactment of the debates over civil rights and Vietnam in the early 1960s.

Adam Shelley '01 earned an Outstanding Speaker Award for his legislative leadership as Minnesota Senator Paul Wellstone.

Other participants, in addition to those already mentioned, included: Justin Becker '01, Alyssa Chirlin '01, Kim Jones '01, Brad Kasnet '01, Leuvis Olivero '01, Jessica Watson '01, Brian Akright '02, Mike Curran '02, Francesca DeMeo '02, Rachelle Dennis '02, McKenzie Jones '02, Paige MacLennan '02, Rachel Manikian '02, Yuri Samsonov '02, Mike Woods '02, Aanand Radia '03, Kristen DeForrest '03, Katie Lang '03, Maria Knapp '03, Carter Semple '03, Kelsey Quigley '04, Andrew Samel '04 and Don Wiczorek '04.

The delegation was accompanied by faculty members Bill Quigley and Perry Nelson.



HMC participants: (left to right) Rachel Manikian '02, Marienna Murch '02, Adam Shelley '01 (who won an Outstanding Speaker Award), Brian Akright '02, and Leuvis Olivero '01.



GDA's 27-student delegation to HMC 2001.



DAVID GOSSE PLANS TO LEAVE GDA AT THE END OF THIS YEAR AND COMMIT HIMSELF TO A LIFE MORE ACTIVE THAN MOST OF HIS ADOLESCENT STUDENTS. HIS POST-GDA ITINERARY INCLUDES SAILING, HIKING, FISHING, SKIING AND BIKING—TO LIST JUST A FEW.

His partner in this excellent adventure will be his wife Janice, to whom he has been married for over forty years. She is a Celtic musician and fellow mathematician whom he eloped with in 1959. Dressed up as Buster Brown, he met her on a blind date at a Halloween Party and has been smitten since. Together they will leave this campus to embrace the challenges and beauty that nature provides.

Mr. Gosse's retirement plan will not come as a surprise to those who have worked and learned with Mr. Gosse throughout his tenure here at the Academy. He has an enthusiasm for life that resonates in all that he does. Mr. Gosse has taught algebra, geometry, trigonometry, and calculus to hundreds of students and has never grown weary of the classroom. For close to 30 years, 16 at GDA, he has taught with a fervor that leads students to discover that math can be exciting and fun. He will tell you that all his memories are good and that every class is different because no two students are the same.

The GDA community has also benefited from Mr. Gosse's athletic spirit and love of the game. Throughout his years at GDA, Mr.

Gosse has coached football, track and the ski club, sharing with student-athletes his talents and passions. He has skied almost every mountain in New England, run the 440 and 220 at Bowdoin College, and enjoys a daily running routine. The athletes on his teams and clubs learn from Mr. Gosse that a player's greatest strength is commitment and greatest joy is participation.

In addition to coaching and teaching his students mathematical equations and theorems, he has helped them to understand the importance of giving something back. Earlier in his career at GDA, Mr. Gosse served as the Director of Community Services organizing programs that afforded students the opportunity to serve others.

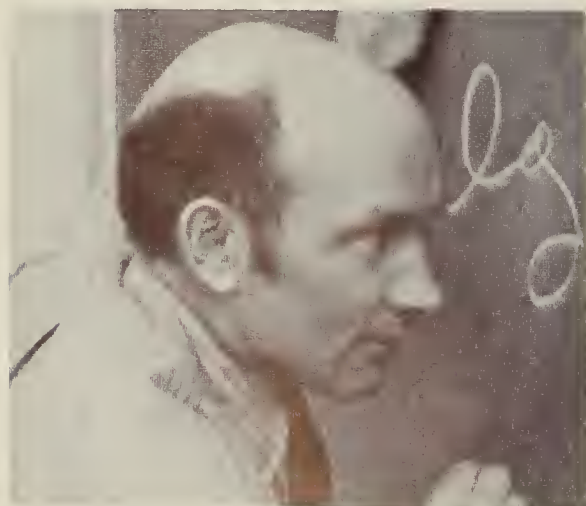
Mr. Gosse was instrumental in introducing the Special Olympics to the GDA community, spawning a relationship that has lasted over a decade and instigating an annual tradition that both organizations eagerly anticipate each fall. This past November GDA celebrated its thirteenth year hosting the Special Olympics Soccer Tournament. It is an annual event in which students assume vital roles as organizers and imple-

menters, donating their time and efforts to plan the event, prepare the campus, and assist the athletes.

Under his guidance, students also had the opportunity to be "Partners in Progress" for a program helping homeless families in Salisbury, MA. Mr. Gosse learned that during the winter months hundreds of homeless children are placed in temporary housing in this north shore town. Most of these children lack reading and basic education skills. Mr. Gosse encouraged GDA students to respond to the situation by volunteering their time to tutor the children in need. Several students participated in the program and were amazed by the satisfaction attained in a self-less act.

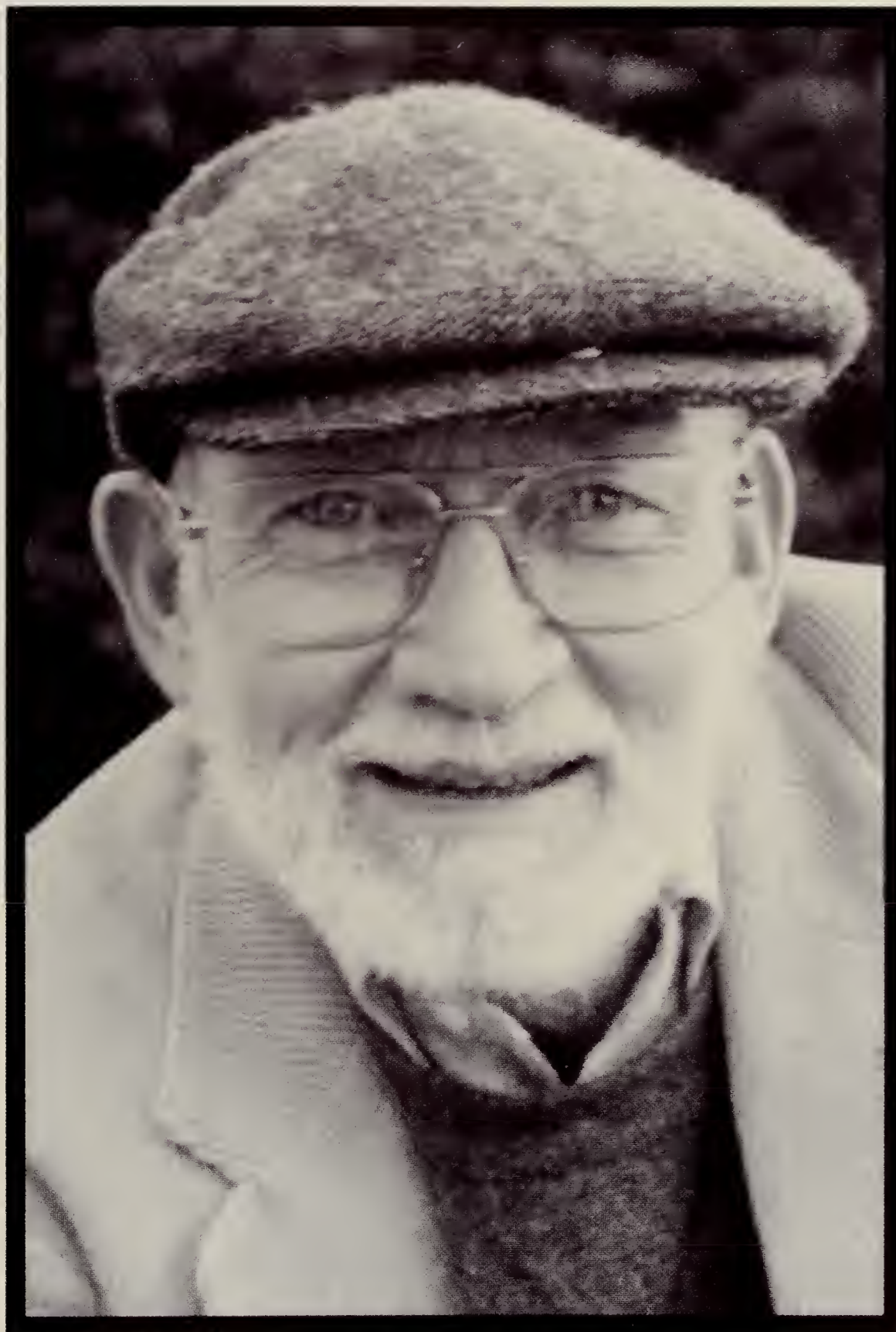
It is opportunities such as these that Mr. Gosse knows will make a lasting impression on students. They may graduate and forget the quadratic equation, but the experience of influencing someone's life is unforgettable. To lead others to the understanding that the greatest achievements are in the gifts we give back is a teacher's greatest success. Mr. Gosse has taught this lesson by example. Just as he coaches the Ski Club by conquering the mountain with the team, he encourages community service by leading the way.

With little bravado but immense passion, Mr. Gosse has enhanced life here at GDA. He hopes that he will be able to quietly slip away, but this community is sure to sing his legacy loudly for years to come.





~ GOODBYE MR. GOSSE ~





## Adios Amigo

*GDA prepares to say goodbye to teacher and friend Alec White*

ALEC WHITE WAS FIRST INTRODUCED TO TEACHING IN TUTULE, LA PAZ, A RURAL VILLAGE OF HONDURAS. SERVING AS A PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER, HE ASSISTED IN ESTABLISHING SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT THIS RURAL REGION OF CENTRAL AMERICA. HE TRAVELED BY HORSEBACK FROM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL, SUPPORTING THE HONDURAN INSTRUCTORS AND SHARING WITH THEM TEACHING METHODS AND STRATEGIES. OFTEN, THE SCHOOLS HE VISITED WERE OLD SHACKS THAT FARMERS HAD ABANDONED. RUNNING WATER WAS SCARCE AND ELECTRICITY WAS UNHEARD OF. DESPITE THE LIMITED AMENITIES, MR. WHITE REMEMBERS HONDURAS AS A BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY AND ITS CITIZENS AS EAGER TO LEARN.

Two years in the pristine mountains of Honduras only fueled Mr. White's lifetime passion for the Spanish language. He had an innate attraction for the romance language since his first visit to Spain in high school. He had earned his undergraduate degree in Spanish at Trinity College and upon completing his tour in Honduras, Mr. White returned to the United States to study for his master's degree in Spanish at New York University.

After graduating, Alec White pointed his compass north in search of a teaching position. He had completed his studies and sought a faculty position in a rustic locale far from city life. His search ended when he met Val Wilkie, Headmaster for Governor Dummer Academy. Mr. White was so impressed with Wilkie that he knew he wanted to work at GDA without even visiting the school or meeting any of the other faculty. A later trip to the campus only confirmed his decision—he would pack up his bags and move to Byfield to teach Spanish at the oldest boarding and day school in the United States. Now, three decades of dedicated work later, Mr. White is preparing to retire from the Academy and from teaching.

He recalls arriving on campus the same year as female students, in 1971. As have the girls, White has become a vital part of the

school's development. Beyond teaching students how to conjugate verbs and communicate in Spanish, he has been a part of this community and he has made an impact on the students, faculty and institution far greater than he is willing to give himself credit for.

Mr. White describes a good teacher as one who has the ability to make a connection with students beyond the subject matter. In a short conversation with Mr. White, it is apparent that he is that kind of teacher. Students do not pass through his life without notice. From his first years on campus, Mr. White has invited students to become a part of his life. He welcomed the opportunity to have one of his senior students **Emilio Rosa '72**, plan his honeymoon with his wife Anne, and remembers fondly **Courtney Wang '74**, **Tim Crane '73**, **Spence Purinton '75**, **Rob Spaulding '74** and **Skip Pendleton '75** who skied in the ISL Cross Country Ski League that Mr. White helped to organize in his first year on campus. He remembers the thrill of planning the Junior Carnivals and the joy of seeing his students succeed. Over the years many students have left his classroom with not only a greater understanding of the Spanish language, but also a new friend.

Rather than reflect on how he has affected the lives of his students and peers, Mr. White

talks about the people who have had an impact on his life here at GDA. One of his greatest teaching memories is that of a student who despite overwhelming odds never gave up and always maintained a positive attitude. Her dogged approach made quite an impression on the teacher who quickly became a fan, determined that she would succeed. Val Wilkie also made a lasting impression. Mr. White was instantly drawn to him and amazed by his ability to inspire the faculty to assume new challenges. Making the greatest impression, however, was Ben Stone who served as academic dean for several years at the Academy. Stone, Mr. White recalls, had a gentle, composed way of keeping things in line. He was someone who you didn't want to disappoint or let down. A lesson Stone taught students also struck a lasting chord with Mr. White. The dean expressed to the students that there is an honor and greatness in community service. While success in the classroom and in athletics is important, an individual's capability to affect others is paramount. The instant gratification of scoring a touchdown can not compare with the reward of enhancing the world around you. Mr. White carries that lesson with him everyday and tries to relay it to his students, hoping that he might influence them the way Stone did him.

Mr. White will bring that lesson and all his memories with him when he retires from teaching at the close of this school year. He has a difficult time envisioning life without GDA. It will be a time of both mourning and anticipation for him. He will miss the daily interactions with fellow faculty members and students, yet he is animated by what opportunities the future holds for him. He is excited to travel with Anne and spend more time with his children, **Cindy '93** and Sandy. Mr. White is also interested in pursuing an opportunity to travel to Cambodia to help musicians connect with foundations that will help them develop and share their talents. It is clear that his retirement from GDA is not retirement but rather a new beginning for one who has brought so much to this community.





*"Alec has been such a constant presence at GDA for his career. I had him as my cross-country ski coach for two years and remember his fun and enthusiasm even while the sport was dying out at GDA. As a colleague, he has been one of the most professional and considerate people I have worked with here. I have a tremendous amount of respect for him."*

—faculty member JEFF KELLY '85

Laurel Abusamra and Alexander White, Masters at the Chapel Service commemorating GDA's 225TH Anniversary.



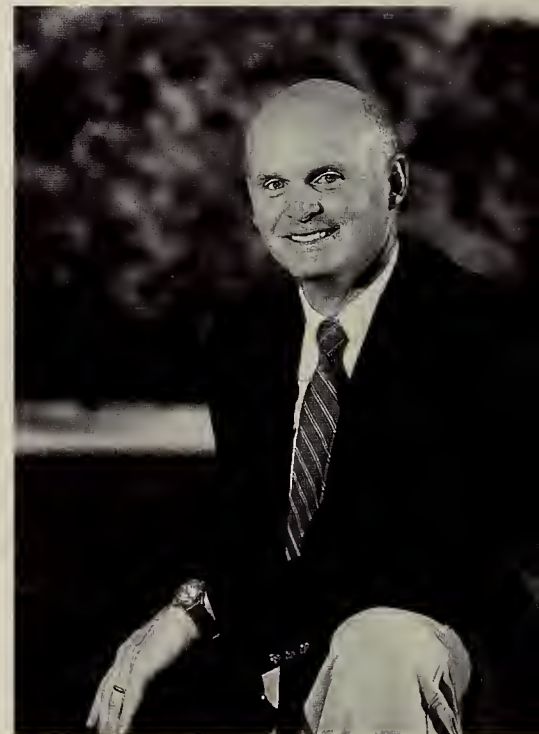
HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE

THE FRAMERS OF THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION UNDERSTOOD THAT THEIR EXPERIMENT IN DEMOCRACY COULD ONLY BE SUSTAINED BY AN EDUCATED AND VIGILANT POPULACE—ONE WHO UNDERSTOOD THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF CITIZENSHIP. THOMAS JEFFERSON FELT THAT HIS GREATEST CIVIC ACHIEVEMENT WAS THE FOUNDING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA. BELIEVING THAT “WISDOM AND KNOWLEDGE...ARE NECESSARY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES,” JOHN ADAMS HELPED TO DESIGN MASSACHUSETTS’S PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM. EDUCATION WAS SEEN AS MORE THAN AN EXERCISE IN ACADEMIC SPECIALIZATION, PROFESSIONAL, OR VOCATIONAL TRAINING, BUT AS THE MEANS BY WHICH THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF AN ENGAGED CITIZENRY COULD BE ADVANCED. AN ELECTORATE OUGHT TO UNDERSTAND THAT DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS ADDRESS NOT ONLY RIGHTS BUT ALSO RESPONSIBILITIES TO FELLOW CITIZENS AND TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE.

Community service programs in schools are important vehicles to advance the lessons of citizenship. They provide windows to issues and problems that exist in our society and supply direct opportunities to address them. Community service programs allow people from different backgrounds and experiences to meet, interact, and ultimately discover the common humanity that links us all. They help to break down stereotypes and myths and build respect and empathy. They provoke reexamination of one’s own assumptions and help create new perspectives on the world. The collaboration inherent in

many community service projects can also broaden one’s circle of contacts. Working side by side with classmates and adult mentors one might not otherwise know creates new opportunities for friendship and collegial interaction.

Community service forges connections between individuals and groups who believe in the cause of social justice. Service can be a fundamental way of developing insight into one’s own identity and can assist in determining how one contributes to society. It is a way to help change others’ lives while simultaneously changing one’s own. Volun-





teerism helps to instill the importance of connection to something larger than oneself. For many young people, participation in community service nurtures a lifelong commitment to the importance of giving back to others.

As our graduates know, Governor Dummer Academy's motto, *non sibi sed aliis*, "not for oneself, but for others," emphasizes the importance that service and care for others plays in our community. Students are obligated to perform fifty hours of community service as a graduation requirement, and the majority exceed this expectation. On one Sunday each fall, the entire campus is transformed into to a Special Olympics soccer venue; the enthusiasm with which the students and faculty support the athletes and their families is inspirational. It is moving to watch ten buses depart from campus on Martin Luther King Day carrying students to the various North Shore social service agencies at which they will volunteer that day. The passion with which our students and faculty speak about their spring break experiences helping rebuild rural West Virginian communities provides an uplifting contrast to the stories of school shootings and alienated adolescents in so much of the news today. Student-initiated food drives, fundraisers for disadvantaged families, and visits by choral groups to senior centers provide further evidence that civic education is alive and well in Byfield. Our motto continues to inform powerfully the education of this generation of students at Governor Dummer Academy.

John M. Duggett Jr.

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Meghan Lucy '02 and Jocelyn Scheintaub '02  
volunteering in Virginia this spring



Dr. Susan Oleszko-Szuts

# Appalachian Spring

THIS SPRING BREAK EIGHT GDA STUDENTS AND TWO FACULTY MEMBERS EMBARKED ON A TRIP TO THE APPALACHIAN MOUNTAINS TO WORK WITH VOLUNTEERS FOR COMMUNITIES. THE PROGRAM IS AN OFFSHOOT OF THE SOUTHEAST RURAL COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROJECT AND SERVES THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. THE GDA VOLUNTEERS INCLUDED SCIENCE TEACHER DR. SUSAN OLESZKO-SZUTS, FINE ARTS TEACHER GEOFF BRACE, ANDE TAGLIAMONTE '01, MEGHAN LUCY '02, JOCELYN SCHEINTAUB '02, LINDSAY CLUNIE '03, VIN MANZI '02, JUSTIN REESE '02, CORY DEMUTH, '03 AND BEN GOBIN '03.







Vin Manzi '02 cutting back brambles



We set off the first morning of vacation at the ungodly hour of 7 a.m. Grumbles about the time were quickly squelched by the anticipation of our adventure. Mr. Brace and I were driving a crew of eight students away from New England's "Storm of the Century" into the hills and "hollers" of far-western Virginia. It was a new experience for all of us and even I, who had been talking with our contacts at the Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project, had no real idea of what to expect.

We were going down to do a week of service in a small community outside of Grundy, VA, about 15 miles from the Kentucky and West Virginia borders, and 950 miles and a world away from GDA. Without our maps and directions, our cell phones and walkie-talkies, our bags and coolers of food—in case we couldn't find sustenance on the way—we managed to load our sleeping bags and duffels into the vans with still some legroom for the passengers. The day was not auspicious—spitting snow and slush. But after Hartford, CT, the weather improved and we had easy traveling.

We spent our first night in Washington, DC. After ten hours of driving, we stretched our legs by walking up and down the mall and around the Jefferson Memorial. Since most of the group had never been to our capital, the one-night stop was an added perk to our trip. On Sunday we left the youth hostel at 6 AM for the final leg of our journey. We crossed over to the western part of Virginia and drove south via Roanoke. The green countryside greeted us as we sped along our way. Hawks and turkey vultures soared above. As we neared our destination, the Appalachian Mountains appeared. New views of cutaway mountainsides appeared around every curve and through every tunnel. The designated road became narrower, streams appeared by the roadside and suddenly, or so it seemed after our second ten-hour drive, we were there. Just past the town of Grundy, we arrived at the Rocklick District Community

Center. Leona, the director, and her son Nathan greeted us, and showed us around the office and the two apartments where we would stay and work for the next week.

Rocklick is a relatively new community center. Leona and her mother Ruth started it a year ago to provide services to the local community of several towns, totalling 8500 people. Leona finds local sources of donated food, clothing and supplies, and she searches the Web for organizations such as Feed the Children that provide similar items to be distributed to the needy. Periodically a big semi trailer lumbars into their small compound and unloads boxes of food, cartons of used clothing, toiletries and other items. Leona and the volunteers from the area organize the donations and then distribute them to members of the community on designated days throughout the month. They also do some social work and provide temporary housing for victims of fires and other disasters. The physical plant consists of two houses and two cinder block sheds, all of which belong to a local woman who cannot care for the buildings herself, so she allows the center to use the houses in exchange for upkeep.

After dinner on the first night, Leona assigned us to our jobs for the next day. Requests for assistance from people in the community had involved mostly outside work and the weather forecast was not good for working outdoors while we were there. Leona needed help at the center, doing some

of the upkeep on the houses themselves and organizing the storage rooms. Our tasks were to organize the latest shipments of goods, which were stacked helter skelter in six rooms, and to clean and repair the center itself. We were split into several teams that first day: Cory and Justin were to repair a broken ceiling and replaster it under the supervision of Robert; Ande, Jocelyn and Ben were to clean and paint the kitchen and bathroom in one apartment with me; and Vin, Meghan and Lindsay were to carry and sort and resort and stack and unstack boxes with Mr. Brace. One of us did KP duty and all of us ended up much dustier and dirtier than we had been at the beginning of the day.

When these inside jobs were done on the next day, groups reshuffled and Mr. Brace led his new crew outside to start clearing brush and junk from the hillside behind the center. Over the years, the dirt on the 60 degree slope behind our compound had eroded onto the tops of the roofs of the two storage sheds, making the roofs quite rotten so that the usefulness of the sheds was much reduced. The group first cut brambles and then dug out the hillside, so that the sheds would stand free and clear. This was all done in a snowstorm! Our valley was just brushed by the storm that dumped three feet of snow on New England. They cleared the hodgepodge from inside the sheds and finished demolishing the roofs with sledgehammers (FUN!)—and took time out for some serious snowball fights (more FUN!). Then they started reconstruction: the outside crew measured the new roofs and cut the supports and underlayment. They moved the tarpaper inside to be warmed up so it could be unrolled without cracking. The whole shed project turned into a three-day affair, but when it was finished, the wooden pallets fit neatly between the two sheds, and we completely stuffed one of the sheds with a shipment of books.

Thursday morning was trash day, so we created a pile about 10 feet wide x 20 feet long x 4 feet high—and then helped the trash collectors pile it into their truck. In keeping with the theme, those of us not on roofing detail drove over hills to help Robert, our supervisor, do some yard work around his home. He had





Geoff Brace (faculty)



Master carpenters Jocelyn Scheintaub '02 and Meghan Lucy '02



The group gathers for one of their hearty meals



Cory Demuth '03 plastering the ceiling

been a coal miner, but injury forced him to retire many years ago. Now he and his wife spend their time picking up and delivering food and supplies to neighbors in the area who cannot get to a distribution center. Robert uses a trailer on his property to temporarily store the items he collects, but in recent years brambles had overgrown his property. We cut the brambles and brush and piled it up with odd pieces of lumber and other flammables, but we were sorely disappointed when the bonfire did not catch. It had simply been too wet from the previous weeks.

Our hosts during this week—Leona, Ruth, Annette and Von—made sure that our bodies were fueled with some substantial calories. Every night we feasted on meals of southern fried chicken, beans and peas cooked with smoked bacon, creamed corn, biscuits and corn bread, the most divine mashed potatoes, deviled eggs and sweet potato and custard pies. Charlene made us a wonderful beef stew, more chicken and some homemade pickled beets. We were on our own for breakfasts, but managed to get in a few more calories with cinnamon biscuits,

scrambled eggs and apple pancakes.

Our Virginia experience did not stop with the evening meal. Some nights we spent in our apartments, by playing charades or Connect Four and hanging out. Leona made sure, however, that we were also entertained in the local style. One night she took us to a square dance. The “Virginia Squares” dance club put us through our paces. Even though they dance in circles, not in sets of four couples, they still “allemande left” and “grand right and left.” We could not have won a square dance competition at the end of the night, but we sure had fun. On another night, we went to an auction and bid on trinkets to help us remember the experience. To cap off the week, on our last night we went to a bluegrass jam session. About twice a week, 15 musicians from Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky gather just to play. Some of the musicians were also good dancers and they taught us how to clog. At the end of the evening, the musicians offered a prayer of thanks for our help in the communities and wished us safe travel back to our homes up north.

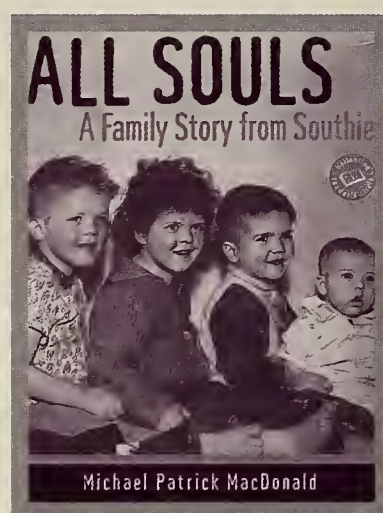
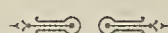
Surprisingly, our week quickly came to an end. With a few last minute touches on the apartments, a few final photographs and hugs all around, we left Rocklick a day early to try to avoid the predicted weather that threatened our route home. We did not have very much time to explore the area, and never got to the Breaks Interstate Park that we had heard so much about. We did not get to have storytelling by some old-timers—the night that it was scheduled turned out to be too snowy for safe driving. We also did not have the opportunity to help people in the community with their individual projects. In spite of that, the bonding that took place among the GDA group, the new friends we made in Virginia, the satisfaction of a hard day’s work and the thrill of acquiring new skills, all made our time memorable. Every one of us suffered withdrawal—“Virginia-sickness,” rather than homesickness, one of the students called it. We look forward to our return trip next year. How could we stay away?



# COMMON BOOK AUTHOR

*shares story of survival*

WITH GDA COMMUNITY



EACH YEAR THE COMMON BOOK COMMITTEE, AN ORGANIZATION OF GDA STUDENTS and faculty representatives, selects a book for the entire community to read and then invites the author to campus for a day of lively conversation, sharing and learning. This year the committee asked Michael MacDonald to come to campus to discuss his acclaimed memoir *All Souls: A Family Story from Southie*. While on campus MacDonald conducted three workshops for GDA students and concluded the day by addressing the entire community. In each of the workshops, “Writing as Healing,” “Community Activism,” and “Race and Class in America” he shared with the students and faculty his own experiences and how they helped him to develop into the person he is today.



As a young child in the 1970s, Michael MacDonald moved to South Boston, a neighborhood riddled with violence and crime, poisoned by prejudice and seething with hate. It was a community united by poverty and fear. It was an environment that claimed the life of four of his siblings and so many friends. It was a place that he had to run away from, but also a home to which he would return.

Today, MacDonald is a peace activist working to unite the poorest communities in Boston, the predominantly black neighborhood of Roxbury and South Boston, his primarily white hometown. Peace activist is an poignant role for a man who, as a boy, chanted along with an incensed white mob angered by the integration of schools. However, as an adult he realized the citizens of Roxbury face many of the same obstacles that he confronted in South Boston. Both are poor neighborhoods where drugs, anger and apathy thwart hope and strangle success.

In his book MacDonald recalls the turmoil he survived while growing up in South Boston. He remembers being swallowed up by the anti-busing riots of the 70s and still mourns for his siblings and friends lost to the treacheries of drugs, organized crime and domestic abuse. He explains that parents sacrificed their children's education for their stubborn bigotry and that fear committed the community into a silence that benefited only the corrupt. He attributes his survival to an ability to "step outside of any kind of chaotic situation and to say 'That's not necessarily me. That's not going to determine who I am.'"

Rather, he chose to determine his own life and to help others rise above what pulls many in a community down. His work has become for him an integral part of a healing process, overcoming and moving beyond the tragedies of his childhood.

MacDonald began his work as a community activist with the black and Latino communities in Boston. Unlike South Boston, he found that these communities were discussing the failures of their society and already seeking solutions. Raised in a culture that forbade mention of anything bad, MacDonald was surprised to realize how liberat-

ing it was to talk about what he had come through and to memorialize those who did not survive. Immersing his life in preventing violence offered MacDonald a gratifying outlet for the pains of his past. He learned that activism gave him and others a sense of empowerment. Grassroots campaigns promoting peace provided an alternative to people exhausted by the destruction of drugs, suicide and violence. Working together, people had the courage and confidence to feel that they could change the world.

Understanding the power of peoples' voices, MacDonald wanted to help the people of his South Boston community affect a positive change, yet he was afraid. He knew that many would not welcome an activist who spoke openly of the torments of society. He also understood that success of any community program was dependent on the participation of people in that community.

Plowing through his fears, MacDonald returned home determined to share his message of hope. Mothers, weary of living in fear and anger, heard the opportunity for healing in his message and young people, eager for a better future, embraced his optimism. Drawn together, their voices were stronger and more effective. The balance of power shifted. Silence would no longer serve as muscle for the crooked. Crime would still exist, but it would not be ignored. United, the community was able to experience tangible success in deterring crime and violence with programs like the gun-buyback initiative, credited with removing almost 3,000 guns from the streets in just four years. Promoting the program directly supported the community. Through their work Boston would become a safer place to live.

Working to improve society, MacDonald discovered another outlet of expression. As a community activist, MacDonald wrote letters to the editors of local newspapers and publications and found that through writing he was able to articulate his concerns, ideas and beliefs. Cognizant that what he was writing was being printed and read, he realized that what he had to share with others was of value and he wanted to share more. He wanted to tell his story, his family's story, to

everyone. Writing became not only a form of expression, but also an extension of the healing process. He was able to reconcile with his past by revisiting it. Writing *All Souls: A Family Story from Southie* was a penance, a way of acknowledging the storm that he somehow was able to navigate.

Soon after the book was published, MacDonald moved back to South Boston. During an interview filmed in his hometown, he realized how much he missed his old neighborhood. In forgiving his past he was able to recognize the sense of community in South Boston as an admirable quality. Criminals and the corrupt may have used this sense of community to coerce silence and prolong hatred. However, he now realizes that it was abuse of that spirit that was wrong, not the people of South Boston's commitment to each other.

Today, MacDonald continues his work to foster peace, eradicate bigotry and promote community activism. He has helped communities to work through boundaries of hate by pointing out that it is often their prejudices that prevent them from overcoming what holds them back. He encourages people to put aside their differences, be they cultural, religious or economic, and work together toward the common goal of peace and prosperity. MacDonald notes that it is the responsibility of all to become involved. The burden of activism does not lie on those in power or those in need. What happens in South Boston affects not only the citizens of South Boston, but eventually the world as a whole. What someone does on behalf of his or her neighbor benefits not only the neighbor, but society in general.

In sharing his story with the GDA community, MacDonald delivered a challenge to all: to become involved with the world around them and to use talents and abilities to influence the lives of others. MacDonald has realized the power within himself and invokes others to become participants in a progression towards peace.



## Martin Luther King, Jr. Service Day

On January 17, 1994 Pulitzer Prize-winning author, psychiatrist and Harvard University professor Robert Coles addressed the GDA community as the keynote speaker for the Academy's annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day program. Along with four volunteers for the urban peace corps program, City Year, and two faculty members, Perry Nelson and Alex White, who served in the Peace Corps, Coles helped the GDA community commemorate Martin Luther King, Jr.'s lifetime commitment to helping others. Explaining that the measure of a human being should be not in the degrees one has earned, but rather in how one treats others. He said, "The biggest question for you and me in our lives—after we've taken all the tests in the world—is 'What kind of life have we lived? How have we behaved to our fellow human beings?'"

GDA, which proudly bears the motto *Non Sibi Sed Aliis*, embraced this call to service. The following year the school observed Martin Luther King, Jr. Day as a day of service. Dean of Faculty Bill Quigley, who at the time was chair of the history department, coordi-

nated the day's activities. In an inspiring invocation, Quigley reminded the GDA community that in honoring King, a hero to all Americans, it is "much finer to act this day and every day in the spirit of his moral vision of America." Following the address, everyone piled into vans and buses to begin the service part of the day. Some volunteered at homeless shelters, others sang for elderly confined to retirement homes, several helped out at community centers, and everyone spent the day in service—not for self, but for others. This day in 1995 was the first in what has become an annual event for GDA.

Each year, the entire GDA community comes together in Mosley Chapel, a convocation begins the day and the students, faculty and staff head out to celebrate the life of Martin Luther King, Jr. The day is an accumulation of efforts by two student volunteers and Student Activities Director Tim Weir. In the months leading up to the event, the service day team has scheduled volunteers with many non-profit and community organizations, invited a key note speaker, arranged transportation and resolved all the logistics. This year, the team's organization and efforts enabled the GDA community to reach out to over 20 organizations on the North Shore.

It is an exhilarating day for the GDA community as they are reminded of the satisfaction achieved in reaching out to others and lending a hand. While the organizations visited send cards of thanks for lugging boxes, entertaining children, befriending the elderly, and feeding the hungry, it is our community who is grateful for the opportunity to make a difference. As buses head back to campus, excited riders proudly share stories about what they did and how much they were able to help. After spending the day meeting new friends and helping neighbors, the only disappointment is that the day was too short.

Six years ago, Robert Coles challenged the GDA community to not only be smart and academically successful, but to also be "decent and honorable" people. GDA answered the challenge, establishing a new tradition for the academy. A tradition of spending the day as community, helping our community.

## *Non Sibi Sed Aliis* A School's Motto, A Community's Commitment to Service

All students are required to fulfill a community service obligation before graduating from Governor Dummer Academy. The requirement echoes the sentiment of academy's mission statement that recognizes the GDA community as one that "values teamwork, service and respect for others." Requirement? Obligation? That does not sound fun, but Community Service Director Dr. Susan Oleszko-Szuts will argue the contrary. She explains that students really enjoy the work they do on behalf of the community and that their experience with the program is one of their most memorable at GDA.

Students may receive community service credit by participating in the afternoon community service program. The program offers students a variety of volunteer opportunities including planning the Special Olympics soccer tournament held at GDA each fall, teaching children to swim at the YMCA, organizing the Martin Luther King, Jr. Service Day, providing child-care for women in need, comforting the elderly at the Port Healthcare Center, assisting the staff at Anna Jaques Hospital, and more. Once involved with an activity, most students truly value the time spent reaching out to others and do become invested in the people with whom they are working. Marjory Searles, a junior from Byfield, MA, taught young children to swim at the YMCA in Ipswich and lights up in recalling the progress the children made during the course. Amazed by their success, Marjory takes pride in having helped them achieve it. Andrea Tagliamonte '01 of Byfield, MA, will always remember the people she worked with at Port Rehab in Newburyport. During her sophomore year she spent afternoons at the nursing home talking to the residents, playing games with them, painting some of the women's nails, and bringing them their mail.



Maria Moore '01 at a YMCA day care on MLK Service Day



Andrea affectionately remembers a patient who, confined to a wheelchair, took great delight in the opportunity to venture outdoors when the two would walk around the outside of the center together. Students realize that community service is not just serving the community, it is an activity that involves becoming a part of that community.

Through the afternoon program, GDA has established strong bonds with many non-profit organizations in the area. In fulfilling their graduation requirement, students provide valuable assistance to the programs for which they volunteer. One of the volunteer projects involves working with children from troubled and sometimes violent backgrounds. In interacting with the children the GDA students provide them with positive role models, something these children often lack. Leuis Olivero '01 of Lawrence, MA, connected with the children he met working with that project. "Some of these kids come from backgrounds similar to mine. There was a natural bond," he recalls. Making that connection helped these children more than Leuis may have realized. These children need examples of caring young adults, people they can aspire to model; in sharing their time and reaching out, GDA students provide that example.

Many students also serve their communities independently. Students tutor young children students at area schools, volunteer at summer camps, work at animal shelters, and more. Diana Cousins '02 of Revere, MA, organized a children's theater program this winter. The culmination of the program was a production of the *Wizard of Oz* in the Frost Library in April. The production demanded an extraordinary amount of time and energy but Diana's enthusiasm never waned. The students' creativity and excitement for their community service projects continually impress Dr. Oleszko-Sutz, who reports on projects that have taken students not only out to the local community, but also to other states and other countries. Those seeking out projects quickly realize that the opportunities and the needs are endless.

What speaks highest of the community service program at GDA is our students' desire to serve beyond what is required. Marjory Searles so enjoyed her swimming lessons

at the YMCA she went back the following year to teach again. Caitlin Brown '01 of North Andover has spent the last four summers at the Brooks Day Camp. She looks forward to spending her lazy, hazy day with the young campers, taking them to swimming lessons, entertaining them with songs, and teaching them new games. Dr. Oleszko-Szuts also notes that often it is the students who initially resisted the program most who are the ones that come back to serve again. People are surprised by how good it feels to make a difference. Realizing the satisfaction and joy in helping other, most volunteers exceed the school's expectations.

For some, the community service program at GDA is the beginning of a lifetime commitment. Senior Caitlin Brown has elected to

go to Stonehill College next year because of the school's community service program. She does not think it will be difficult to meet the freshman year community service requirement and is excited to work with *Into the Streets*, a Stonehill program designed to introduce students to regular volunteer opportunities. Leuis Olivero also chose a school rich with service opportunities. Next year he will attend Trinity College in Connecticut with plans to work at the Boys and Girls Club on campus as well with programs that reach out to the citizens of Hartford.

Community service is an integral part of the GDA experience. *Non Sibi Sed Aliis* is not only the school motto, it is perhaps one of the greatest lessons the school teaches its students.



Special Olympic participants at the annual soccer tournament organized by GDA students



## Not for Self, But for Others

In support of students who volunteered to spend their spring break in the mountains of Virginia working with Volunteers for Communities, many GDA students participated in a “Jeans and Hat Day.” For a \$2 donation, students were permitted to wear jeans for the day, and for \$1 they were allowed to don a hat, attire ordinarily prohibited by GDA’s dress code.

On February 26, GDA hosted the third annual American Red Cross Blood Drive. Student organizers, led by senior Caitlin MacIntosh and junior Mike Woods, set an ambitious goal of 90 volunteers and the GDA community responded enthusiastically to help them exceed their expectations. Several students who were not able to donate blood participated in the event by volunteering at the registration table or serving as donor buddies.

For the second year in a row the GDA community participated in the American Cancer Society’s Daffodil Days. The annual campaign raises money to support the Cancer Society’s mission to diminish suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service. Many of the flowers purchased by GDA participants were donated anonymously as “gifts of hope” to cancer patients.

Project Outreach, a student-run club that models its activities on the school’s motto, *non sibi sed aliis*, was quite busy during the first semester. In November co-presidents Heather Jameson ’02 and Rachelle Dennis ’02 led the group in raising over \$400 to buy turkeys and pies for Thanksgiving dinners, which Pettengill House of Salisbury served to needy area families.

The students also organized the annual Giving Tree to help collect holiday gifts for the Stocking Program, an annual event sponsored by Community Service, Inc. in Newburyport. With the generous cooperation of the GDA community, they were able to do-

nate many gifts that were given to young children in the area.

Lastly, after an inspiring chapel talk given by freshman Julie Benjamin, the group sponsored another “Jeans and Hat Day” which raised \$550 for the Santiago family of Lawrence. The money was donated to LifeLinks, an organization that is helping the

Santiagos purchase a wheelchair-accessible van in order to transport the children in the family, all of whom are afflicted with debilitating muscle degeneration. Project Outreach looks forward to a successful spring of helping others.

## Revere Teen in Line for Top Scout Award:

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At 8 o’clock on a recent Saturday morning, Diana Cousins, 17, had been up for a while, searching her Revere home for a stage prop that would hide a pint-sized Wizard of Oz.

Cousins, a junior at Governor Dummer Academy in Byfield, would be overseeing a grade school production of the play the next day—the culmination of a four-month project that qualifies her to receive the Girl Scout’s highest achievement, the Gold Award, at a ceremony in June.

While Cousins described the award as “a great honor,” one gets the feeling she’s already received her prize.

“It’s a lot of work,” Cousins said, “but it’s really, really fun. It pays off the day of the show. It’s really given me a taste of responsibility.”

According to the Star and Spindle Girl Scout Council in Andover, the Gold Award goes to senior scouts who have earned seven other recognitions and who carry out an independent project demonstrating commitment to their community and requiring at least 50 hours of work. In Cousins’ case, it involved first purchasing a 100-page “Wizard of Oz” script and editing it to 20 pages to accommodate the eight 6- to 8-year-old actors, most of whom are children of Governor Dummer Academy faculty and attend Newburyport elementary schools. Then came months of rehearsals, costuming and set-building. Other academy students recruited by Cousins to help were able to earn community service credits.

Governor Dummer Academy headmaster Marty Doggett called Cousins’ project “an extraordinary labor of love” and said she is “one of those great forces for good here at the school.”

This is the 10th year of girl scouting for Cousins, who also sings in three school choruses, has studied dance for 14 years, and has participated in Tufts University drama workshops since second grade. Only a tiny percentage of Girl Scouts make it to this level, many dropping out during the middle school years. And Cousins knows why: “It’s not very fashionable to be a Girl Scout.” But image has never been important to her, Cousins added. That confidence apparently kept critics at bay.

“If people ever bothered me about it, it didn’t affect me. And I could count on one hand the people who bothered me—it didn’t happen,” she said.

“It’s great for other girls to see her,” said Diana’s mother, Lorraine Cousins, “and say, ‘it’s OK to be a Girl Scout.’”



## ERIC VINCENT

In late February the GDA community was delighted by the French singer-songwriter Eric Vincent. Residing on a converted barge in Paris, France, Vincent travels the world using his gift to introduce French culture and language to captivated audiences. With a powerful resonant voice, he is personable and dynamic, as well as an outstanding musician. During his concerts, the language barrier is overcome by his showmanship and the lively spirit of his music. His songs, a blend of folk, jazz, rock, and ethnic rhythms offer audiences direct contact with contemporary French poetry and songs. While at GDA he performed songs from a recently produced album of James Taylor songs adapted in French. Those in attendance were taught the verses to some of the songs and invited to sing along. It was a delightful evening that left us all singing Vincent's praises—in French!



Eric Vincent

*This winter the GDA community was enriched by special guests who shared their talents and taught us more about the world around us. Stage, song and script were the classroom and we were all students.*

## BUFFALO SOLDIER

In celebration of February's Black History Month and in anticipation of March's Women's History Month, GDA welcomed Melodie Thompson to campus on February 27, 2001 to share her portrayal of the only female buffalo soldier, Cathay Williams. Buffalo Soldiers were African American men that the U.S. Army recruited to fight the Indians as the country expanded into the western frontier. The talented Ms. Thompson transported the audience back to the late 1800s as she brought to life Cathay Williams, a black woman who disguised herself as a man to enlist in the U.S. military as a Buffalo Soldier. Thompson took to the stage and transformed herself into Williams, describing life as a slave, Civil War army cook, and Buffalo Soldier. The seemingly first hand account of Williams's life was fascinating as she described the tortures of slavery and pride and respect she cherished as a soldier. The audience was drawn into the production as Williams talked directly to them and invited their questions and comments.

Thompson's depiction of Cathay Williams at GDA was an abbreviated presentation of the one-act play *Only A Woman* which she has performed throughout the country.



Melodie Thompson as Cathay Williams



## Govenor Dummer Academy in



THIS PAST FALL HEADMASTER MARTY DOGETT, PATTY DOGETT AND FINE ARTS CHAIR CHRIS STOWENS TOURED THROUGH ASIA VISITING ALUMNI AND ALUMNAE, MEETING WITH THE FAMILIES OF CURRENT AND PAST STUDENTS, DEVELOPING CONTACTS WITH EDUCATIONAL CONSULTANTS, INTERVIEWING POTENTIAL ADMISSIONS CANDIDATES, AND TAKING IN THE EXTRAORDINARY SIGHTS. THEIR ITINERARY INCLUDED STOPS IN SEOUL, KOREA; TOKYO, JAPAN; AND BANGKOK, THAILAND. IN EACH CITY, ALUMNI/AE AND THEIR FAMILIES PLAYED THE ROLE OF GRACIOUS HOSTS AND TEACHERS, PROUDLY INTRODUCING THEIR GUESTS TO THE CULTURE AND BEAUTY OF THEIR HOMELANDS.





The Royal Palace in Bangkok, Thailand



The first stop was in Seoul, a bustling megalopolis of over 16 million inhabitants. The city is a shopper's delight where consumers can choose from historic street malls to modern facilities with all the latest franchise operations. A capitalist's fantasy, this city is also a haven for art and culinary enthusiasts. Restaurants serve food that captivate the senses and museums display many treasures, from historic artifacts dating back to 400 b.c. to Korean contemporary art.

While in Korea the Doggetts and Mr. Stowen were guests at a reception at the Grand Intercontinental Hotel that was well attended by GDA alumni/ae, parents of current students, and prospective students. Guests included Ms. **Jiseop Yoon '85**; Mr. and Mrs. Yongwoo Kil, parents of Sung-Jin Kil '03; In Ho Suh's '04 father, Mr. Sunghoon Suh; Mr. Jai-Gin Cho and Mrs. Kyung-im Park, parents of Hee Jeong Cho '00; Mr. Jung Il Shin, father of **Seyong Shin '94**; Mr. and Mrs. Kyoung J. Min, parents of **Scott Min, '00**; Mr. Hyun Ho Han and Ms. Kyoung Choi parents of **Yea Ry-oung Han '00** and Jun Sung Han '04; the parents of Jung-Jo Cha '02, Mr. Hoon Young Cha and Ms. Myung-Hee Kim; Dr. Hung Tae Chung and Ms. Sam Kim, parents of Won Chung '02; Dr. Sang Kim and Dr. Myung Chot, parents of Bit Yeowool Kim '02; and Mr. and Mrs. Yon Goo Lee, parents of Hee Young Lee '01. After the gathering, the Suhs and Kils hosted the North American travelers to a traditional Korean 15-course meal in an exquisite 500-year-old home that had been converted into a restaurant.

During their stay in Korea, the GDA contingent also had the opportunity to interview a number of very capable students who were interested in matriculating at American boarding schools. They also met with educational consultants who refer families to American schools. This provided a useful opportunity to explain the mission of GDA



Aki Soto '95 in the Imperial Palace Garden in Tokyo

and the qualities that make for a successful applicant.

The final day in Seoul was reserved for a full day of sightseeing and museum tours graciously led by Mrs. Kil and her niece.

The group's intrepid adventurers next headed east to Tokyo where they were met by **Akinobu (Aki) Sato '95**. That evening the Doggetts and Mr. Stowens spent an enjoyable evening with Aki, **Mizutani Kenichi '96** and the parents of **Yuki Tsubomastu '98**, learning of the post-GDA successes of our Japan-

ese graduates. The next day was spent at the Sakae Institute, an organization that has helped to place many Japanese students at Governor Dummer. Weaknesses in the Japanese economy had temporarily diminished the pool of candidates seeking educational opportunities in the United States, however there now seems to be a resurgence of interest, especially by candidates with musical talent. The officials at the Sakae Institute were very impressed to learn of the construction of GDA's new performing arts center.

Tokyo is a dynamic, pulsating metropolis with tall buildings soaring into the sky and impeccable gardens meticulously manicured to create a visual splendor. The Tokyo Fish Market, one of the largest in the world, awed the American visitors. Vendors, who transported and displayed their wares on hand carts and three-wheeled motorized vehicles, sold every kind of fish imaginable. Aki served as a knowledgeable tour guide, showing off some of the majesty of his native city. To conclude the visit to Japan Aki, and his parents treated the Doggetts and Mr. Stowens to a succulent meal that included spicy soup, jellyfish, shark fin, shrimp and almond jelly for dessert.

The group headed west to Bangkok, a city teeming with crowds of people and cars. The city lies along the banks of the Chao Phya River which is vital to both transportation and the economy. Not only the best way to get around the city, the river is used to harvest bounties of fish and sand, transport immense barges, and provide quick cooling swims for the people of Bangkok. In the middle of all the hustle and bustle, ornate temples, revered shrines, and opulent royal homes offer sanctuary.

While in Bangkok, **Paitoon Maneepairoj '74** served as gracious host and sponsor for the Doggetts and Mr. Stowens. Mr. Maneepairoj arranged for a wonderful reception at the Oriental Hotel for several alums and their families, including **Pongsatorn Suk-sanjum '81**, **Boonsit Yimwadsana '96's** mother, parents of current student Ted Chen '02, and many parents of prospective students. The following day, Mr. Maneepairoj took his guests on an extensive tour of





Paitoon Maneepairoj '74 with Marty Doggett



Chris Stowens sampling food in Seoul, Korea with Mrs. Kil P'03

Bangkok that included the temple Bat Benchamaborphit, The King's Residence, Chitralada Billa, the Bimanmek Mansion, and the Teak Palace, among others. The Royal Palace was perhaps the most memorable of all these impressive sights. The Palace is composed of a series of lavish buildings and shrines. Gilded and adorned with glass jewels and intricate carvings, the buildings come together to compose a grand masterpiece. Another remarkable sight was the Jim Thompson House. Jim Thompson was an American who revived the Thai silk trade after World War II and then mysteriously vanished in the jungles of Malaysia. Before his disappearance, he assembled a series of several traditional Thai houses and united them as one magnificent estate. The house was filled with beautiful artifacts from all over Southeast Asia.

The Doggetts and Mr. Stowens met with representatives of the Bangkok Bank to discuss the possibilities of future student referrals. They were able to inform this placement agency that in 2001–2002, the Thai government has agreed to resume the Thai Scholar program after a five-year hiatus. Hopefully, GDA will now begin to see more students from Thailand applying for admission.



The Doggetts at a temple in Bangkok

The final afternoon in Asia was spent playing golf at a course that featured female caddies in aqua jump suits and sounds of sacred music coming from a nearby Buddhist temple. Dinner was an exotic menu of squid stuffed with pork, noodles with seafood, and pigeon. Their stay in Bangkok concluded an exhilarating and exhausting adventure. Each city was unique in its beauty and grandeur, and it was wonderful to meet up with old friends, meet new friends and prospective

students and be immersed in new cultures. Grateful to their gracious hosts and amazed by the sights they had seen, the group headed home to share their stories and pictures with the GDA community.





THIS PAST SEASON WAS A WINTER WONDERLAND FOR GDA ATHLETICS. FOUR TEAMS QUALIFIED FOR POST SEASON PLAY AND TWO BROUGHT HOME THE NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS. FROM THE WRESTLING FLOOR TO THE RINK GDA ATHLETES GAVE FANS A REASON TO CHEER. TEAMWORK AND DETERMINATION ENGENDERED A SEASON OF HIGHLIGHTS AND VICTORIES. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

## Undefeated Women's Volleyball Team Earns New England Title

The GDA Women's Volleyball team completed an amazing season on February 28 by winning the New England Winter Volleyball tournament held at the Gunnery School in Western Connecticut. GDA, the number one east seed, defeated Berkshire, the second west seed, in two straight games: 15-9, 15-9. Their win enabled them to advance to the finals where they faced the number one west seed, Canterbury, for the best-of-five-games match. After falling in the first game 11-15, and trailing in the second game 6-1, the GDA women came back strong and defeated Canterbury in the final three games: 15-13, 15-10, 15-2.

Their crowning as New England Champions follows a remarkable season. GDA finished the regular season with a record of 15-0 and the distinct honor of winning every game of every match. On February 24, the team won the Eastern Independent League Championship on Saturday by defeating Milton in two straight games. Outstanding effort in the competition earned junior Nicole Rob-

bat of West Palm Beach, FL the title of Tournament All-Star and freshman Emily Moore of Winfield, IL was selected as the All-Tournament Player by the panel of coaches. The team's final season record was 22-0.

## Women's Varsity Basketball Team Soars to a Record-Breaking Season

On February 21, the Governor Dummer Academy Women's Varsity Basketball team secured their place as champions of the Independent School League for the first time in school history. In a 54-34 win over Nobles and Greenough, the Governors finished the season undefeated in their league and 20-3 overall.

Earning a top seed in post-season play, the team faced and defeated Moses Brown School at home in the New England quarterfinals. Their 44-34 win enabled them to move on to the finals where they challenged the Brooks School for the championship at Worcester Academy. Playing with the determination and spirit that had become a standard for the team, they claimed their title as



Nicole Robbat '02 (left) and Elizabeth Kelleher '03



New England Champions in a 55-49 win.

Recognizing the talents of several GDA players, the New England Prep School Athletic Council invited Ashley Mastrangelo '02 of Marblehead, MA; Meghan O'Malley '03 of Topsfield, MA; Anabel Perdomo '02 of Lawrence, MA; and Vanessa Russell '02 of Tewksbury, MA to play in the All Star game held on February 25 at Holy Cross College.

## Exciting Finish to Men's Basketball Season

A 16-10 record earned the Men's Varsity Basketball team a berth in the New England playoffs, which proved to be some of the most exciting of the season. Employing buzzer-beating shots and a tight, hard-working defense, the team completed their season in thrilling style.

In the quarterfinals of the New England Class C tournament, the team staged a 24-9 comeback in a stunning 45-44 defeat of the number two seeded Rivers School. When Rivers missed a free-throw in the final seconds of the game, GDA had the ball and a chance to win. A 12-foot jumper attempt by



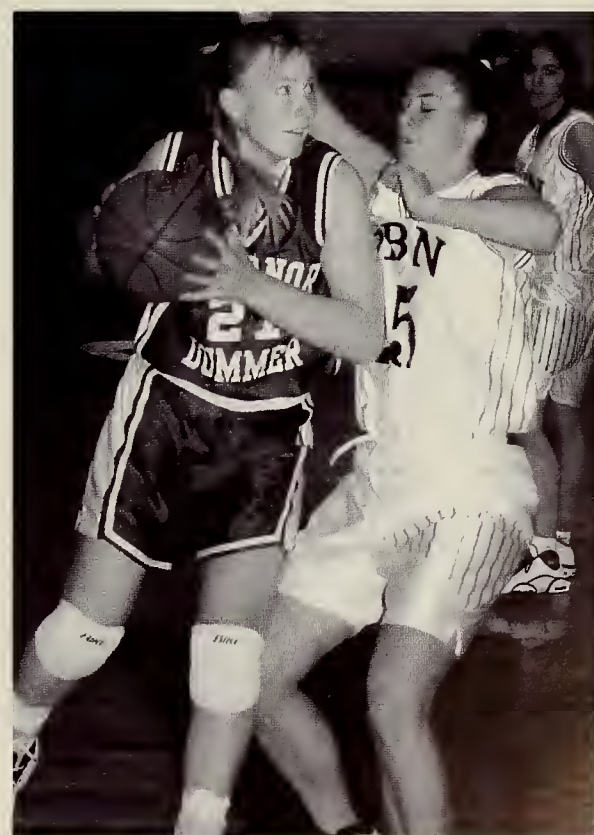
Marco Joubert '01 driving to the basket

*As the women's basketball team captured the ISL championship, my search for the character of this group points to its ability to execute, to play a tenacious brand of basketball, and to discipline itself to rely on selfless play. The desire to win coupled with a 'refuse to lose' attitude has led this team to its success.*

*It is no secret that there are great athletes on this team, and many might think that our success relied on these skills. My opinion is that more was in place than just talent. The execution of a game plan, and the tenacity and faith to stick with the plan were crucial elements of our success. The ability of individuals to sacrifice selfish goals for the good of the team was an absolute must. All of these components fell into place for this team.*

*This coach is very proud of this team. Every player has contributed to the success of this team, as they have been each other's toughest competition night in and night out during our practice sessions. I think that they have represented this school and its basketball program in a most outstanding manner. Let it also be known that the school's support for these players has been a key factor in their ability to step onto the court and perform in such an honorable way.*

—Coach Ike Suggs



Meghan O'Malley '03 preparing to shoot



the Govs hit the rim and bounced away, but the men in red recovered the ball and scored on the rebound to win the game.

Their victory sent them on to face Kingswood Oxford for the semi-final game at Nobles and Greenough. The battle was another nail-biter that left fans on the edge of the seats until the final buzzer. Behind for most of the game, GDA came on strong in the second half to close in on their opponent. A missed GDA shot with seconds left on the clock pushed the game into overtime. An organized defense and key baskets helped the Govs to secure a one-point lead but with only seconds left, Kingswood Oxford had the ball and was poised to score. GDA forced a turnover, gained control of the ball and when the final buzzer roared, GDA was on top with a final score of 53-52.

GDA finished the tournament in second place, losing in the final game to Saint Andrew's. Seeded seventh, the Govs went farther than many had expected, but their success did not surprise the team who had set their sights high and refused to give up.

## Victories at the Murphy-Frost Arena

Women's Hockey had a very exciting season. For the first time in school history the team qualified to play in the New England Tournament. Throughout the season the team displayed a great resilience and come back from early deficits. The most thrilling victories came on the road. During the Westminster Tournament the Govs came back from a three-goal deficit against Thayer to win 8-6. The team also rallied to defeat Holderness at Holderness. The win proved to be a pivotal success enabling the team to qualify for the long-coveted championship play.

A strong senior squad led the team with fierce defensive plays and aggressive offense. Team MVP Beth DePratto '01 of N. Lancaster, Ontario had an outstanding offensive sea-



Beth DePratto '01



Jeff Desmarais '01 (foreground) and Mike Zbringer '01



son, bringing her career scored goals to over 50. Meg Lloyd '01 of Dedham, MA was honored with the Coach's Award for her unwavering team spirit and commitment to team unity. Lauren Bonaventura '01 of Topsfield, MA was also recognized for her four years as a varsity player.

The 2000-2001 Men's Varsity Hockey team enjoyed its fourth consecutive year of improvement. The season, with a 13-12-1 overall record and an ISL Keller Division (Division I) league record of 9-6-1, was good for fourth place behind New England Prep School Division I league champion St. Sebastian's, Nobles, and Lawrence. They finished with a 7-1-1 record at home capitalizing on the "home ice" advantage and great crowds during victories at home against Lawrence, Nobles, Thayer, Milton and Belmont Hill and a thrilling 7-6 win against non-league opponent Holderness.

Senior Michael Zbriger of Dollard Des Ormeaux, Quebec led the team in scoring with 23 goals and 22 assists for a total of 45

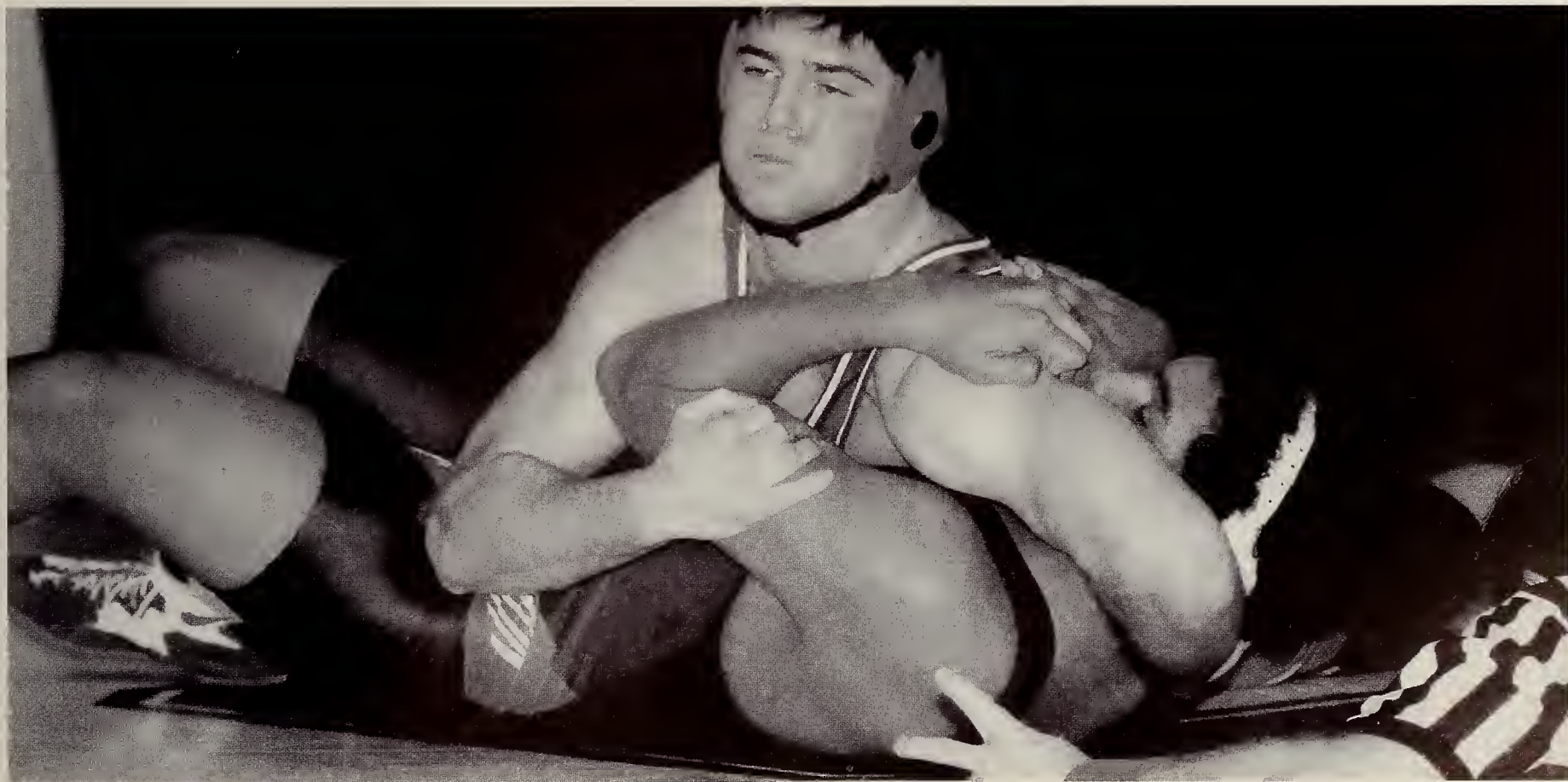
points in 26 games, and he ended the year as the leading scorer in the Keller Division with 16 goals and 16 assists for 32 points in 16 league games. He was selected to the Division I East All-New England team and participated in the East-West Senior All-Star game. Keller Division All-League honors were awarded to Mike Zbriger, J.J. Morrissey; a junior from Winchester, MA; Gabe Winer, a junior from Stoughton, MA (for the second consecutive season); and Peter Langella, a junior from Manchester, NH. The team elected Mike Zbriger as Most Valuable Player and awarded Justin Becker, a senior from Stafford, VA, with the Wasson Award (as unsung hero).

Seniors captain Jeff Desmarais (Manchester, NH), Mike Zbriger, Matthew Tomasetta (Kirkland, Quebec), Justin Becker, Tucker Corriveau (Freeport, ME), and Richard Lufkin (Marion, MA) will graduate knowing that they were instrumental in the resurgence of the Governor Dummer Academy hockey program. Their leadership, effort and

enthusiasm led to our success this year and they helped to set the stage for even greater success for future GDA hockey teams.

## Winning On the Mat

The Varsity Wrestling team also finished the season over 500 with an 11-8 record. In addition to the team's outstanding season several wrestlers were recognized for their individual success on the mat at the Graves-Kelsey Tournament. Rafael Rodriguez '02 of Haverhill, MA; Ian Hughes '01 of Santa Fe, NM; and Alex Harris '02 of Georgetown, MA won championships for their divisions. Nino Balestrieri '01 of San Mateo, CA placed second. Rob Bliss '04 of Amherst, NH took second in his bracket at the JV tournament and Nathan Efinger '01 of Andover, MA took fifth. Rafael and Alex were also selected to represent GDA at the New England Tournament.



Nino Balestrieri '01 persevering in a wrestling match



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# Reunions:

CLASS OF 1926 – 75TH

CLASS OF 1931 – 70TH

CLASS OF 1936 – 65TH

June 8, 9, 10, 2001

**Warren Lane '27** is one of our traveling alums and celebrated his 92ND birthday at Reunion 2000. He led the march of the classes as the senior alumnus present. He hopes to make it back to Reunion 2001, "God be willing!" In recent years he has been to France and the Orient and I envy him as I'm lucky if I get to the county seat in Salinas, CA.

The C.F. Jameson & Co. has been in business for 75 years. **Art Jameson '38** is still active as treasurer, and his son **Ben '62** has replaced him as head of the business. My notes indicate that Art is one of the last of the old guard to be active in business. I would like to hear from any others of our group who still work regularly.

**Tom Nathan '36** has retired from the lumber business, and has also acquired a new address. He now lives at 650 Laurel Avenue, Highland Park, IL. In his note he asked if any other alums live in that area. If you do, he would like to hear from you. I have received a sad note from Bob Fuller of Newburyport telling me that his father **Art Fuller '30** had passed away. Art had been well and active until about a year ago, and spent the last year of his life in a care facility in Rowley, MA.

I have checked my records, and they indicate that **Gray Adams '30**, **Richard Hosmer '30** and **Frank Morrill '30** are still active. I would especially like to get notes from these three.

These notes for the *Archon* have been shorter than usual, and I suspect that the date of my last class letter was particularly to blame. If any of you are into email I will get a message at [dsa@jps.net](mailto:dsa@jps.net). The subject should read "for HHA" as several of us use the same address.

My usual request for news from the Class of '39 didn't bring the response I was looking for but I do appreciate the notes from the following classmates. According to my printout there are 30 class members out there with only eight reporting in for this coming edition. What about the rest of you?

**John Gannett** reports his family is bright eyed and bushy tailed. He has completed and passed his Coast Guard Captains and Masters license exam with a 97 percent average. He has also signed up for a towing endorsement, so if you are out on the high seas and run out of gas look for John who just might throw you a rope.

**Tom Parker** sends his best wishes for 2001 to all his old friends from GDA. He is enjoying the best of both worlds: retirement home in Florida and vacationing in Northfield, MA in the fall. Hopefully he and I can get together this coming fall as we are only a few miles apart.

**Thayer Richardson** keeps busy spending time between Melbourne, FL and Essex, MA. He spends his idle hours sailing his son's sloop, making models of schooners, swimming, riding his bike and helping make stained glass windows for his church. These activities must keep him healthy with little time left for the more mundane.

**John Koslowski** continues to keep me informed but unfortunately is not in the best of health suffering from Parkinson's and the big C. It's always great to hear from him on a regular basis. I know you join with me in wishing our very best to him.

Try as I might I can't get a word out of **Phil Simpson** but his lovely wife, Sue, tells me they are in Kissimmee, FL for the winter, although if their past winters are any indication they come north during that time for a few days of skiing in Maine. I'm saving a spot for Phil in the back row for the Alumni Glee Club Concert in June.

I heard from my good friend and confidant, **John Klotz**, who never minces words when he drops me a line. This time he didn't fill me in on his activities but I'm sure he is not house bound. You can bet he'll be ringing **Tom Tenney's** doorbell one of these days.

**John Dunlap** claims he is decrepit these days mainly due to the necessity of carrying

oxygen wherever he goes because of emphysema. Travel has become a headache as he has to pay \$50 for oxygen for each leg of a journey on a plane as he cannot bring his own supply on board. However, he still plans to visit his son in New Bern, NC late February or early March and will be driving with all his oxygen equipment. Good going, Jack, The Class of '39 is a hardy bunch!

My good friend, **Tom Tenney**, whom I go to relieve my frustrations, says all is quiet in Ponte Vedra, FL. He survived Xmas and all is well. He never was one to get too excited.

This is the last *Archon* until the fall issue so I'm reminding you of Alumni weekend, June 8-10. Having attended for the last several years I can vouch for a great time. How about it? Why not make plans to attend this one? If you haven't been back lately you are in for treat.

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As I write my notes it's just five weeks till Spring and baseball spring training has already begun. For those of us still living in the northern climates this is truly good news. I'm pleased to report your response for our class notes was quite good and my thanks to you. You may notice I have edited a few due to difficulty in deciphering handwriting. Once more I would appreciate either printed or typewritten notes to me.

**Jim Dodge:** Jim sends his new address—401-1400 Dixie Road, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada L5E 3E1. He's just returned from a Mediterranean and Atlantic cruise. The trip and the weather were great. His new home is in suburban Toronto and across the street from his golf club.

**Bob Goodspeed** now represents China's best and largest shearing tannery. He spent a week in China this past summer. He just spent 18 days in U.S.A. and Canada with the key executives visiting customers in ten different cities. Bob and his wife Joanne have purchased a condo in Hampton, NH. Back from the coast they will spend six months in NH and six months in Florida.

**Bob Little** and Jean attended the GDA reunion, his first reunion since graduation and his first visit to GDA since going into active duty in W.W. II in 1941. Bob's visit made him aware of the great changes that have oc-



curred not only to GDA but to the area where he grew up. He visited many of his family spots (Boxford, Byfield, Topsfield, Turkey Hill and Newburyport) and had a great time.

**Bob Lyle** reports the sale of their summer place in North Carolina. They are now year-round residents of Naples, FL on the west coast where they know how to COUNT. Bob has two step-grandchildren attending GDA, Katie Ebinger is a senior and Christopher a sophomore. Bob had radiation prostrate treatment in the fall and the MDs have given him good marks. (I also had the same treatment.), Bob is feeling fine, and he and his wife Thelma are playing a fair amount of golf and croquet. Bob is now a great-grandfather—he must be getting old.

**Andy Bailey** is still involved in legal matters and also managing a private foundation or two. There's only one problem—Andy “blew out” his Achilles tendon which has been put together again. It is slow to heal. At the time of his writing Andy was heading south to Naples, FL for the winter.

**Bob Schumann** had fun at the 60TH reunion with **Bob Lyle** and **Bob Little** —the three Bobs. He also attended graduation at GDA where his colleague Bill Moyers gave the address to the seniors. Moyers is the president of the Schumann Foundation which Bob chairs. He believes another board member of the Schumann foundation is going to make the graduation address this spring—Bill McKibben. Bob reports Bill McKibben is a great environmentalist. He wrote *The End of Nature* among others. Bob will be visiting **Bob Lyle** this Spring to help him become an octogenarian on April 7TH. Your Class Secretary says, “Join the Group.”

**David Solomon** is finally retiring, sort of. In 2001 he will be working about one day a week. He and his wife will be playing golf the rest of the time. They have grown grandsons but no great grandchildren yet. He's asking where the last 60 years went.

**Benjamin Wright** says he is still busy in the skating world and is also working on the 100TH anniversary (2002) history of the Winchester (MA) Country Club, a classic Donald Ross layout. They hope to go to Vancouver, BC for the 2001 World Figure Skating Championship. He is also busy with Rotary, Salvation Army, Masons and the bank.

It is very difficult for **Al Hutchinson** to attend various activities at GDA but he's been busy in Maine on various projects. This year the Historical Society completed a history of Waterboro. He and his wife Edie were the editors of the book of 250 pages, 100 pictures and nine maps. They also were on the Histor-

ical Committee whose job it was to restore 100 abandoned cemeteries in Waterboro. This was completed after 10 years of work.

I received a card saying **Donald Mortimer** passed away on September 29TH last year.

**Bill Little** and his wife Ann went off to Newbury before Christmas for their sixth trip there this year. Plum Island is a great spot for family reunions. They rented an oceanfront place for the season and hope to repeat this in 2001.

**George Stobie** just had triple by-pass surgery: fun-fun-fun. He's recovering nicely and going to Maine, Michigan and Kentucky this summer. He hopes to play golf again next month. He and his wife just love Kiawah Island—17 miles south of Charleston. Great golfing mecca—843-768-4641—if anyone comes this way, stay with him.

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60TH CLASS REUNION  
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**Neal Cox** reports: “Just returned from four weeks in Thailand. We served as volunteers under IESC, US Aid & Asia recovery to try to help them get back into world trade. I worked with a large foundry in Bangkok and would encourage others to try it. Wonderful experience.”

**George Leach's** wife informs us that George is in a nursing home with Alzheimer's.

**Jack Miller** says: “Over the years I have sailed through Little Falls with my boats on the Barge Canal. We circumnavigated the eastern United States via the east coast, Great Lakes, Mississippi River and Gulf of Mexico a while back. Now we live aboard in Ft. Lauderdale four months of the year and live in Wolfeboro, NH on Lake Winnepesaukee in the summer. We built a ten ton, 47 foot ship model that carries 10 people. It is a one-fifth scale model of the motor ship Mt. Washington. I have been lucky enough to see a lot of the world over time. Retired 20 years ago from the insurance business and as inn keepers. Alison and I have been married for 54 years, have two kids who have given us five grandchildren who are no longer children. We have much to be thankful for on the road of life. Best regards.”

**Jim Monroe** says: “We had a family gathering of 16—our four children, seven grandchildren, etc.—in Hawaii for a slightly premature 50TH anniversary. Quite a juggling match with ages from 14 to 70s and egos just as varied. Great fun, especially to watch the cousins interact, as their homes are widely dispersed and seldom all meet in one place.”

**Paul Morgan** says: “We have a granddaughter, **Mayo Morgan '97** graduating from Colby '01 and our grandson Rob Morgan '02 excels in soccer and baseball. And I'm especially proud to have sired the present GDA Chairman of the Board—**Daniel '67**. Dan and I had lunch with **Buster Navins '31** last month—he is sharp and remembers everybody.”

**Vaughan Pitman** says: “We are still tripping in our motor home to Florida and beyond. We enjoy biking and Nordic skiing. Five children and 11? grandchildren keep us young. Still active in church and civic groups. Nearly sixty years out of GDA. (Good to hear from you Andrew).”

**George Siganos** says: “This year's adventure was a Mediterranean cruise with stops along the coast of Europe. Enjoyed shipboard entertainment every night, met interesting people. Finally arrived home tired like a senior citizen should be.”

**Steeb Webster** is still in Annapolis but plans to spend time in Florida during winter. He is living by himself and “playing boats” in warmer weather.

**Richard Wyman** reports: “Celebrated our 57TH wedding anniversary November 16TH! We are in “reasonably” good health but have been unable to get north the past two summers due to some problems connected with approaching antiquity. We have been playing tennis with a great collection of formerly good tennis players in a club where the average age is 80! I am one of the young ones at 78. Sorry about the Florida election fiasco. 23 years ago the Registration Board here had trouble spelling Republican!! Hope to be able to attend the 60TH by hook, crook or mortician. The class of '41 seems to be uncommunicative, judging from the *Archon* alumni notes I'm sorry to say! **Dave Goodhart** does a darn good job but he has done all he can. Very unhappy to lose so many of our Old Guard masters.”

**Edward Flynn** reports: “We were back to GDA in September. What a great job they are doing! Anne and I are playing golf. I shot my age last fall! Anne had a hole in one. Other than that we are freezing in Florida.”

Your secretary does not have much news. I own part of Bacey Knoll Club.



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**Bill Macmillan** left the deep south in February to return to Vermont for the duration. He says: "It is nice to be back but after 25 years where there have been lots of changes, industrial growth and subtle cultural modifications which we struggle with."

We had a nice card from **Dave Jarvis** noting that he is "another year older, and I'm still at the Chart Room Restaurant (on Cape Cod). My sons say sail away—but now I think I need a power boat. Maybe 2002: 60 years ago at GDA, and 30 years at the Chart Room!"

**Tom Fenn** wrote in December that they had bought a '99 thirty-seven foot Tradewinds motor home in 1998. "The Caterpillar diesel has so much power I have to put my brakes on going up hill to avoid too much speed!!! Barbara and I still spend much time touring."

**Bill Hill's** card showed up in a plastic envelope from the U.S. Postal Service with block letters proclaiming that "WE CARE". Inside was the torn card, but still readable. "Enjoying good health," Bill writes, "always on the go, meeting new and seeing old friends. Still helping construction gang at our retirement campus, namely plumbing. I should have been an Urologist. Nice to chat always."

Had a nice note from **Ted Stitt** noting that he and Joy "have moved to a new house in Stuart. One of our neighbors is **Humphrey Simson** who we see from time to time. Finally, I have resigned from condo leadership, but serve on the Board of the Lake Association in New Hampshire, and was recently appointed to the Executive Committee at the Vero Beach Amherst Alumni Association. Joy joins me in both of these activities as well as continuing to sing and play hand bells. Best to all."

From Vancouver, Canada a card came from **Bob Harris** who writes "not much going on—getting ready to close down my office of yacht design and do some writing and maybe design my own dream boat. My brother, **Sheldon '37**, died recently. He lived in Laconia, NH. Pat joins me in wishing you the best for 2001 and we hope you come this way some day. Best regards."

On December 22ND, **Hank Skinner** submitted a hand-written note on the GDA card:

"Dear Stu: My big news is that I will be married on December 30TH. Marilyn always said that 'if you get married again make sure she remembers Ronald Coleman!' Lovely Pat fills the bill. We will be spending January through April in Bonita Springs." I recalled Hank's response to my questions about his and Marilyn's 50TH Anniversary, which was on June 25TH, 1999, and his answer had been that Marilyn had died on the 27TH of June, 1999. How sad, I thought, to have had these two dates work out within hours of each other. Hank's card had been inside an envelope in which there was a letter, but the card reached my hands ahead of the letter, so I read that first. The letter reads: Dear Mr. Pomeroy: I regret to inform you of the passing of your classmate, **Harry W. 'Hank' Skinner** (who) died December 22ND in his home of an aortic dissection. His death occurred just eight days before he was to remarry a really wonderful woman named Patricia S. Tremper. In his outgoing mail stack the day he died, was the enclosed postcard to you. Governor Dummer Academy always meant a lot to Hank, and he was continually suggesting that people send their children to the Academy for a quality education. Sincerely, James W. Skinner (son)."

I know our class joins me in sending our sincerest sympathies to Hank's entire family and his friends. The confluence of these events is certainly sad also.

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**John Whitney** says: "I finally caught up with my 'ol' pal **Jim Eaton** at the New England boat show. We compared our troubles mostly medical-wise, finding out we have many in common. It was fun to play the fast game of catch-up! We were tent-mates at Camp Winona and classmates at GDA, and both had troubles with book-learning. Somehow, we managed to survive!" **Andrew Brillhart** and his wife Sandy spend the winter on South Padre Island and the summer in beautiful Ohio.

'45

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**Warren Furth** writes, "I hope that we shall never again have an election like the last one. I have a tough time explaining the American electoral system, and particularly the Electoral College, to my European friends. I am now working with others trying to reform the absentee voting procedures for Americans residing abroad."

**Don Palais** saw **Bo Jameson** and his wife Rita at a Harvard class function last fall. Bo and Rita had recently returned from visiting her parents in Germany.

Also abroad was **Bob Steinert** who went to London with one daughter to spend Thanksgiving with his other daughter and her husband.

**Sy Symonds** writes, "Hi Dick, Happy New Year. Not much news but I feel guilty when I don't contact you. Ellie and I are counting the days until she retires and we move for good to Cape Cod. We have 24 weeks to go."

'46

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55TH CLASS REUNION  
June 8, 9, 10, 2001

Hello old friends:

I am recovering well from my aneurysm surgery in November and now must catch you up with the class news.

**Ted Baker** is off again—to South America, on the Holland American Line; then to Paris in March and April and on to Florida for a June cruise.

**Alan Carpenter** sent a succinct report! "Status Quo. Still limping. Still breathing."

**Paul Gaudin** is busy, busy with a new house in the offing at 27 Somersea Road, Mashpee, MA 02649.

**Doug Miller** decided not to move, opting for travel—Fort Lauderdale, Bermuda—and perhaps, Arizona.

**Bob Hardy** is now a part-time Unitarian-



Universalist clergyman nearing retirement. He still happily recalls his days at GDA.

**Bill Silver** has retired from active orthodontic practice but is busy as ever—working as consulting Forensic Orthodontist at the Miami-Dade Medical Examiner's office. He is also a volunteer aide in Senator Bill Graham's Miami office. Bill also mentioned what he referred to as Florida's "electile dysfunction" in the recent election.

**Miguel Ortega Samper** sent a nice holiday greeting from Bogota with no personal note. He can be reached at Calle 70/10-93, Bogota, Columbia.

**Walt Nichols** writes that he is still very active in business—installing and financing small to mid-size generating plants and co-generation (heat and electric) installations. He hopes to make it to GDA this year.

**Herb Levine** is "still working but I've cranked it down a bit." He is enjoying his two grandchildren and a "get-away on Buzzard's Bay." Thanks for your kind words, old friend.

**Lindy Watkins** reports that the Watkins and four other couples had a glorious time cruising on 60-foot chartered boat in the San Juan Islands. He wonders if anyone is planning to return for the June reunion.

**Brewster Hemenway** has had some throat surgery but expects to be lecture-ready soon. He and Liz visited Baja, CA, the Berkshires and Muskoka, Ontario last summer and have fun chasing eight grandchildren.

We're having fun exchanging email with the ever-moving **Warren Hill**. He is still active in business and a Happy Holiday wish arrived from Colorado during a ski vacation.

Our address, by the way, changed last April, we are at 14161 North Ageratum Way, Tucson 85737. Email—Papaonlin@earthlink.net. Until next time—cheers!

'47

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Further to *The Archon* of June 1, 1946, GDA lacrosse team lost to Harvard Varsity 7-5. We edged Kimball Union 12-11. **Dick McCusker** tallied five times and **Scoop Sutton** tallied four times. **Shorty Ellsworth** accounted for the remaining two points. We defeated MIT JV 6-4. **Dick McCusker** and **Gorton Baldwin** each scored two goals while **Ormie Aldred** and **Scoop Sutton** each tallied once. **Dunc McCallum** was highly effective in the goal. We lost to a very strong

Boston Lacrosse Club 14-8. As an item of interest, Coach Murphy was a member of the BLC and often played with them in exhibition games around Boston. And Exeter beat us 18-4.

Friends of **Jack Deering**, Colby College '55, and alumni/ae honored Jack on the occasion of his retirement from Paine Webber by raising funds to establish an endowed scholarship in his honor. Our congratulations go out to "Mr. Colby."

**David Wilcox** writes that he had the pleasure of taking his 13-year old granddaughter, Katie White, to GDA on November 6, 2000—very impressed by the tour guide.

**Dan Hall** is sponsoring the '51 reunion for Colby College. Other '51 Colby grads include **Bish Peale**, **Bill Brown**, and **Bill Bailey**. **Jack Deering '55** has been included in the festivities. Bish is still in Arizona with his dogs and will soon be visiting his son who is in the Army. **Henry Dunker** is mending well from his third abdominal surgery. Semper Fi, Henry. **Joe Welch** reports that the French Open was fabulous and might have come home with a cup had he not been consigned to the stands. Joe's son is at Amherst and is reputed to be a computer whiz. **George Duffy '46** is reported to be recovering from some aches and pains. Best regards, George. As always, **Norm Brown** checked in.

**Jim Knott** is on the Web. To find out what's cooking at Riverdale Mills, check out Riverdale.com "What's Hot." Information on the Mills goes from EPA falsified evidence to the dismissal of the EPA case against Jim. Most of this information has been previously covered in earlier editions of Class Notes. Thanks for the input, Jim.

That's 30 for now. Stay trim. Live well. Best love to all.



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'48

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**Theodore Long** just checking in with not too much to report. Had a good tomato and pepper (both hot and not) crop this past summer, cut grass and raked leaves, and haven't shoveled any snow—yet. Best wishes to all.

**Fritz Freeman** writes that he is like the old Timex watch, "I take a licking but keep on ticking". He is still running his manufacturing rep. business. This gets him out of the house daily, but home early enough to play golf, tennis or biking. His son, Woody, is now with Legg Mason, so Fritz is running the business alone. Woody has a son, Maxwell, and a new two month old daughter named Page. Congratulations, Fritz, you do nice work. With a daughter living in Newburyport, Fritz gets up that way quite often and while there he takes time out to play tennis with **Frank "Dugie" DuGrenier**. Nice way to stay in shape, Fritz.

In my last class notes I mentioned that **Pete Houston** was going on a Scandinavian tour. Well, he did, and he has followed up by saying, "If you want the icing on the cake for retirement, go on the Scandinavian Elderhostel which spends four days in each of the four capitals. Go in September when the European tourists have gone home."

**Stu Otis** had a visit from **Hoover "Scoop" Sutton** this past summer. Hoover arrived on his big red BMW motorcycle while out that way visiting his younger brother. Stu's mentor, Ann, has just completed her first art show in Arizona after having her knee replaced. Stu also reports that they have added two grandchildren to the clan. He went on to say, "We love Arizona."

**Fred Beaudry** and Yvonne are off again to New Smyrna Beach, FL for January, February and March. Fred didn't think he would like being away so long, but someone prevailed. He enjoyed it so much last year that they decided to stay the extra month again. He enjoys keeping in touch with friends on his computer, so try Fred at beaudry@stn.it.com or at fredbeaudry@hotmail.com. Yvonne joins Fred in sending their best to the Class of 1948.

**Tom Magoun** writes that after six months of hustling with contractors and selling his home in Hampton, NH they have finally settled in their new home in West



Lebanon, NH. His new telephone number is (603) 298-5536. He has talked with **Lindquist, Ellsworth, Freeman, Cummings** and **Attwill**. He says, "Time for another reunion." I must say, Tom, you have done a pretty good job of keeping in touch.

**Harry Beaudry** wrote that he wanted to thank every member of the reunion committee for putting together such a great time for our 50TH. Seems like a long time ago, Harry. Guess we should start thinking about our 55TH. Would you like to serve on the committee and get things started? Harry says, "Alas, my long memory is growing short." I think all of our fellow classmates have the same difficulty. I'm with you, anyway! Nancy and Harry are enjoying Colorado, especially in the summer with their children and grandchildren. He does admit to a scary time once and that was when he got lost in the mountains and didn't find his way back to town until 3:30 one morning. Nancy serves as a docent at the Kimball Museum. As a result Harry gets to visit a lot of museums. With all that he does he wishes that he had a more structured life. Anyone that has six wonderful grandchildren, who could ask for anything more?

**Ash Eames** and Deborah are in Sarasota, FL from January through April. You can call him at (941) 918-0142. He went to Nicaragua in January.

**Ken Bruce** is exhausted after counting and recounting the votes in his area of Florida. How many times did you vote, Ken? Ken and Nancy now have ten grandchildren and one more expected this year. Wow!! How do you remember the names, Ken? He and Nancy have visited with **Bill and Dorie Lindquist** via their boat and by this writing will have returned from their place in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico.

Received a nice note from **Ben Lawwill**. He has been sailing on his 41 foot sailboat for the past eight years. Hopefully not adrift all that time. Ben's interesting note is more about his wife's jewelry business. She was written up in *TIME* Magazine (page 149, December 4TH issue) as one of the six best businesses that sell jewelry, competing with well known stores such as Tiffany & Co. and Lands End. Through her website she has about 600 pieces of vintage costume jewelry and estate jewelry. You might find it interesting to contact her through graywolf@sparkly.com. Better still, your respective wives could find it more interesting.

## '49

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Greetings from San Diego! Gale and I are here for our February month of fun with grandchildren. Of course, this is interrupted with other important things such as friends, golf and finalizing our plans for our around-the-world trip that begins on March 2 out of L.A. We will meet **Manson and Alison Hall** in Auckland, NZ. Then, after touring 18 days in NZ and five days in Sydney, we hook up with **Arch and Carol desCognets** in Melbourne. The six of us travel throughout Australia ending up on the Great Barrier Reef on Heron Island on April 11. Gale and I depart for Africa, Switzerland and England returning home on May 2 while the Halls head back to Chatham, MA and the desCognets return to Melbourne. In our next class notes I will share some of our travel experiences with you.

**Allen Hollis** says: "I have begun to teach at Florida Atlantic University in its adult education program. I teach Comparative Religion now at its Jupiter campus, and will start in January at the main campus in Boca Raton. I have students now, more this winter." **Pete Statler** reports that "all is well in Paradise on the island of Kauai."

From **Manson Hall**: "Hi Tom. We're off to pick up Carolyn in time for Dan and Loris's party. Then Tuesday we drive to the farm in Vermont for a few days of skiing. Back just in time for Xmas Eve here in Chatham. Still having fun tutoring GED students usually in Hyannis but I have used all the public libraries on the Cape except Chatham. I've gotten Alison to come with me to help on the writing essay end of things. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you both." From **Arch desCognets** locally and Duke D'Australie internationally—"As you know we will leave Williamstown January 3 to return to Australia by way of South Africa where we still spend three weeks with the animals and the wine country. We will be back in time to catch the Australian Open which is some good tennis. Back to the U.S. late May!" From **Jake Brown**: "If you would call I'd play. Just had my 70TH birthday but I can beat you and Arch!"

From **Don Wochomurka**: "We had a very eventful year. My 70TH birthday was cele-

brated with a party here at home. Then in October we toured Tuscany by car. It was grand and I handled the Italian roads very well. Looking forward to having all the family here for Christmas. In January we study the garden catalogues, and will plan our next trip." From **Bill Chamberlin**: "I spent the first week in December on a true golf orgy lasting seven straight days at Myrtle Beach with seven other NH friends. During this time I played 27 holes on three consecutive days with the remainder of our time playing a mere 18 holes per day!! However, I will not mention any scores. If the schedule works out I would be interested in joining the Vermont Maple Syrup Classic tournament this summer." From **Bob Godfrey**: "Jo Ann and I are in the process of selling our home of 33 years—a classic 12-room Victorian home in Thompson, CT which for the past 12 years has been a B & B. We have started this new phase in our life after raising four children and then facing the empty nest as they all moved on to their careers."

Reporting for **Irv Grossman** —he is looking forward to another Vermont Maple Syrup Classic this summer in Middleton, VT. The exact day has not been determined, but the time frame is mid July. So please give him a call in April or May in Solano Beach—858-755-3877—for the DAY. Meanwhile he is busy setting up and running the Honda Classic in Florida.

I had a revealing phone conversation with **Kim Page** in which he related a harrowing automobile accident he and **John Webster** had in their car, a Tahoe. I asked him for some details and here is his account:

"On Monday, 10/30, we left Weedsport, NY heading for Cleveland. I was driving. At about 10:10 am, just a mile east of a service area on I-90 also east of Buffalo, I fell asleep at the wheel. We went into a very wide median strip at 65-70 MPH headed for a drainage culvert which I swerved to avoid hitting head on. Missed it except for the left rear wheel which caught and spun us perpendicular to the lanes of traffic. We tipped onto the passenger side, slid for some distance, then turned over end to end and scooted across the eastbound lanes of traffic, coming to rest upright on an embankment. I could go into more detail, but we were transported to Erie County Medical Center in Buffalo where we spent three hours being checked over, John had many bruises which rapidly turned black and blue. I had a cut under my right eye, a red, bruised nose and



other bruises. Our seat belts were fastened—the seats and doors held. There is no question in our minds but that God was riding with us. Had we been in a smaller car or even our large Buick, it is questionable that we'd have come away as easily as we did. The five month old Chevy Tahoe was, of course, totaled. The State Police took us from the hospital to Hertz at the airport and we got a rental. The Police impound lot was nearby. It was when we saw the wreckage for the first time at the lot that we went into a kind of shock.

"We have replaced the Tahoe, with a 2001 GMC Yukon xL—a larger version of the Tahoe. Throughout the horrific accident sequence, it was the strength of the cabin frame that held and prevented more serious injuries. It is, after all, a truck. Lots of broken glass—we're still finding some in the smaller pieces of luggage—but no cuts from any of it. You can say what you will about SUV's—we're glad we were in one when this event occurred."

Until our next edition, have a productive summer!

# '50

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It is great to hear from the loyal half of the class who were in attendance last June. Those ties are strong. It is particularly exhilarating to get news from those not recently in touch, but there is none of that this time. Maybe next time.

**Tim Greene** provided his fall itinerary a month before my request letter went out. "Debbie and I, our two daughters and our seven-year-old grandson just returned from ten days in London. My chorus participated, along with 11 other choirs from the UK, Canada, South Africa and Australia (1,000 voices), at Royal Albert Hall performing a program of mostly Welsh music. We enjoyed visiting many of the well-known sights including the Millennium Dome, Windsor Castle and Winchester, where we gave a performance in the large cathedral."

From **Don Bishop** came the following greeting: "Hello to SE New England GDA 50 Club! Polly and I are well and back on the Cape (Eastham) for winter. We spend summers, May-Oct. at 9 Herrick Road, Brooksville, ME. Will probably go to France in April for a few weeks. Would be good to see you



Peter Gavian '50 sailing Antietam

and others for a dinner, lunch, whatever, before four years pass!"

Rating his class as Intermediate, **Dave Esty** says: "Betsy and I are quite busy with our six offspring and their partners/grandkids. I have no intention of ever retiring since work is play and play is work. I work and play all over the place(s). Still ski patrol at Bromley and would love to have a GDA '50 event there."

**Bill Fletcher** and his wife Alma toured Spain and Portugal last fall. "Spent a little time relaxing on the Costa del Sol. It is a nice resort, but does not compare with Cape Cod. We visited 12 cities, with three days in Madrid. It was a nice trip for us since we had not been to the Iberian Peninsula before."

From **Bob Comey** came news that, **Phil Smith '53** and his wife Julie hosted a reception at their home in late September for Marty and Patty Doggett. They were in

Chapel Hill for Parents Weekend at the University of North Carolina, where their son Patrick is a freshman. About 20 GDA graduates and friends attended. Sallie and I regretably could not because we were on our way that evening to Vienna to begin a three-week Danube-Rhine cruise. However, Phil and I caught up with Patrick in November for a hasty but enjoyable lunch." Bob was upset that Manny had moved to Boston, thinking that he may hit 70-80 hrs at Fenway.

**Peter Gavian** sent a magnificent color photo of his boat, Antietam, enroute from Bermuda to Little Creek, VA last June 26TH with himself at the helm. His message was: "Fairwinds, great sail, even skinny-dipped in the Gulf Stream! Biggest equipment failure: Neptune splashed the computer keyboard, but the touch-pad still worked! Will try to rendezvous with **Don Bishop** next summer." Peter has moved to Annapolis to be nearer



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**Mal Robertson** says "Rita and I really enjoyed the reunion—great to see everyone. We have been traveling to Colorado and North Carolina to see kids and grandkids. Hoagy Carmichael's 100TH birthday this year—there were nice write-ups in Wall Street Journal and others."

I, unexpectedly and happily, ran into **Charlie Cashin** at the Reserve Officers Association 25TH annual National Defense and Foreign Policy Seminar held at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT in November. Charlie's card reaffirmed what he told me earlier: "things haven't changed for me, I am still doing flight tests for pilot certification and threatening to retire and tell Val how to manage and run the house."

Once again, **Dick Patton** got more words on his card than anyone else by a wide margin. You'll enjoy his remarks. "Life is good—my dog did not bite me when I got up this morning, the cat is not pregnant and it's questionable if there were any deserving candidates in the recent election. September was again a boat trip in France, this time on the Loire, great wine and food at 10 mph, plus biking around the tow path in that beautiful countryside. Ended the trip by driving through the north of Italy and the Lake District. The ski lifts opened October 31ST, so we had a great start to the winter season in sunny California. We plan to explore Costa Rica after the first of the year, mostly from a sail boat. Our son has earned a general contractors license and is doing remodel work as well as some spec purchases for resale. I try to stay out of the way of my very busy wife and son." Thanks for all the news Dick. I guess you got a deluge in February and enough snow in the mountains to last until the 4TH of July.

I had a great three weeks in China in September and October. Emi was a presenter at the Internat Dyslexia Association annual meeting in Washington, DC. We spent Christmas in CA with our daughter and grandchildren. Big things are expected in 2001. More next time.

'51

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## 50TH CLASS REUNION

June 8, 9, 10, 2001

By the time you receive this *Archon*, you should be almost on your way to our 50TH happening! At this writing we have a large number of returnees, which through the efforts of a gigantic committee we hope will increase—optimistically to 100 percent.

We are all grateful to **Fred Franzius** for delivering the service at **Dick Bittner's** funeral. I very much appreciated receiving a copy of the prayers and message Fred delivered and will ask him to share them with us when we remember Dick and other classmates in June.

Once again a reliable communicator **Dave Bullock** mentioned his enjoyment of the annual Christmas gathering at the Harvard Club in Boston and his disappointment that no other classmates attended. The writer normally attends and can attest that it is indeed a fine affair. Unfortunately, a far less enjoyable Bristol Planning Board interfered, but let's plan on a larger '51 turnout next year. Dave echoed the thoughts in the proceeding paragraph as detailed in "a touching email from **Fred Franzius**." Again fearing sleeping in Pierce I, he indicates "King leisure with room service should suffice." Consider it done, Dave!

**George Kirkham** sends a quick note. He and Mary are in Carbondale, CO and will return for the 50TH.

A nice picture of the Sager Bowl—that's a refurbished playing field with a bench, rock and plaque, not a container—was sent by **George McGregor**. The Bull was there for the dedication. George reports that Arthur's grandson, Seth McFarland (Perry Sager's son) has "hit it big" in Hollywood as producer of Emmy Award winner "Family Guy."

Another reliable, **Ed Stockwell**, sends: "Jan and I are looking forward to seeing many *old* (read that as *former* or *aged* as the spirit moves you) classmates at our 50TH reunion. Be warned everyone: we will be bringing photos of our adorable granddaughters."

As this is being written, Jackie and I are

preparing for the arrival of **Bill and Gena Atwell** to spend a few days with us here at Ocean Reef in Key Largo. The arduous efforts to restore an historic hotel in Bristol necessitated a few days in the warm sunshine. With typical Texas humility, Bill reports that he and Gena have eight grandchildren—"who can top this? And our grandchildren are cuter than all others!!" Further. "Now that we all have a Texas President, conditions will be much better." With humble agreement with his proclamation, I look forward to seeing you all in June.

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**Sabu** writes: "Please file your plans so I can know about what is going on in this life. I am going to GDA in December for the hockey game. I must support my kids. I had hopes on buying you lunch at a little old diner on Route 1—Pie also!" **Ed Carter** is retired—living in the Arizona desert. Lost his wife of 38 years to breast cancer. Will come east for Harvard 45TH reunion in June 2001. **Guy Tudor** says: "I saw (in Princeton University memorabilia) that old John J. met the Grim Reaper. Guess all the money in the world doesn't help when you have an appointment in Samara. Didn't Murdock live in France/Switzerland most of his life? Anyway, nothing new in my life that I want to talk about."

**Don Rice**—"We are now located on Spring Island, SC for five to six months—the other six on Lake Sunapee, NH. Our oldest son is running our business (third generation) allowing me to play golf and exploring the country. We have 18 kids, spouses and grandchildren here for Xmas holidays. See you in June @ Colby."

**Franklin Huntress**: Where is that wonderful state of retirement!! Am now a chaplain in the National Cathedral in Washington and serve there for a week each month! I keep an eye on **Richard Rothmund** at the Church of the Advent who is right into its life there. Do not forget that in 2002 is our 50TH reunion, so be prepared to come to GDA with a gift check—I want to see all of you for olde times. I promise you all a super time with us all."



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**Phil Smith** sends greetings via email: "During the past summer, I had the splendid opportunity of seeing **Parker Field** (along with his lovely wife Andy) for the first time since '53. I can attest to the fact that his commitment to marathon running makes one think he really was in the class of '73! Retirement to northern Michigan suits him well and it is quite obvious he and Andy are very happy. Two and a half years of retirement in Chapel Hill suits Julie and me also. Our hope is that some of you snow-birds stop by on your annual migration." *Sounds like Parker may get the vote for "current class athlete."*

**Charlie Palmer** writes, "All is well here—still working—plan to keep right on." *Charlie must be related to the Eveready Rabbit...*

**Don Tracy** and his wife spent the new millennium in an international mode. They visited their daughter and husband in Budapest; stayed with friends in France; and spent the summer in Maine (visited by friends from St. Petersburg, Russia and the Czech Republic—and a few from the U.S.A.). They are readying for a trip in late spring to visit Russia and on to Slovakia to visit Bratislava and Prague. Don says, "Retirement can be fun, but I remain a busy tax man with an exploding business—Oh, if I were only 40!" (*personally, I don't yearn for 40 again...*)

As for the **Pinkhams**: Sue and I are thoroughly enjoying winter in Colorado. We live in a unique area. We get blue sky while it snows and blows like crazy five miles away. None of the heavy, wet, backbreaking eastern snow. Hiking and snowshoeing are great, and we've taken a two-day avalanche course to ensure that we can cope with potential problems in the backcountry. The elk and deer in our yard look at us with more curiosity than fear. It's disconcerting to have them peering through the bathroom window. (Yes, we have indoor plumbing.) Our house has just undergone major internal renovations, and we're beginning to hoe out from a month of dust and plastic. We're involved in several volunteer activities and singing with two choral groups. *Brahms' Requiem* was just as fresh as if we had just sung our GDA 1950 Symphony Hall concert. Life is busy in Estes. Check out Estes Park or Rocky Mountain National Park on the web and you'll wish you were with us in the high country. Come see us if you come west. Our best to all.

'54

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**Howie Clarke** writes that Ann and he have just returned from a fantastic trip to New Zealand, Australia, and Papua New Guinea for scuba diving and touring. The Clarkes will winter in Florida (doing some re-counting, Howie?). Howie says retirement is wonderful and, hence, he needs longer weeks.

**Dick Michelson** continues his mountain climbing and backpacking when he's not building a house for Habitat for Humanity. His foreign travel this year (2000) included central and eastern Europe with a detour to Switzerland and Austria to hit the ski slopes. Dick visited GDA this past June between travels hither and yon.

**John Moyer** dropped a short note to say that Sandy and he are proud grandparents of twin girls.

Your Class Secretary, **Michael Smith** and his wife, Deborah, will be spending the holidays packing their rented house and moving back to their rebuilt house, nearly 14 months after the November 1999 fire. It has been a pretty exhausting year, but at least we will be back home.

**Stu Miller** reports in that he is still working at his insurance agency when not enjoying his two grandchildren or fishing for tuna off Newburyport or for tarpon off Sarasota.

**Fulton Yancy** writes that he is still trying to get his visa status straightened out with the immigration service. His email address is mfwy@hotmail.com, and his mail address is PO Box 1089, Stafford VA 22555-1089. He'd like to hear from any of his 1954 classmates.

**Tyke Needham** reported in that his 40 years of broadcasting in Salem and its environs came to an end with his retirement. But he continues to be involved in local affairs working part-time for the Mayor. Tyke bought a condo over the old Almy's store in Salem where his three children can keep tabs on him!

**Warren Hutchins** writes that his wife, Jan, and he are retired and living in Huntington Beach, California. "Hutch" does a little traveling, and works on various projects around the house.

Only three and a half years to go to our 50TH!! Happy New Year!!

'55

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**David Brainerd** reports he became a grandfather for the first time in 1999 and in 2000 for the second time. He also reports he visited **A.C. Hubbard** in Wyoming last March.

**Peter Scott, Jack Pallotta** and wives have charted a Grand Banks for a week on Florida's west coast. They plan to visit **Tom Wende** at Boca Grande.

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## 45TH CLASS REUNION

June 8, 9, 10, 2001

**Stanley Rhodes** says: "I now have four grandchildren—third granddaughter arrived in October. Easing into retirement—a 3/5 physics teacher in my 40TH year of teaching. Will NOT make reunion—hope you are more successful with others."

**Steve Bartow** writes that the fall hurricane season spared his house again on Islamorada Island in the Florida Keys. He is passing the new year in Paris with friends.

**Jim Dean** and his wife, Dianne, spent the new year's holidays in Seattle with their daughter and grandchild. It was a great vacation and only rained once. Their son, Bart, and his wife toured New England last summer on their tandem bike.

**Joe MacLeod** wishes everybody in the class a Happy New Year and he is looking forward to the upcoming Reunion. He will be joining Rey in organizing the festivities.

**Gordon Martin** hopes that all his classmates had a fine Christmas and a happy holiday. Because of his disability, he is sadly going to miss the Reunion and seeing changes in the campus, but he will gladly read about them in the *Archon*. Gordon would enjoy hearing from any old friends at his new address of 22 Ivy Lane, Wethersfield, CT 06109.

**Rey Moulton** is again feeling well physically and plans to head up the spring class reunion.



**Pete Renkert** notes that retirement for him has been replacing the joy of selling fishing tackle with the drudgery of cleaning out his house for sale and moving to Idaho.

**Don Dunsford** puts into a Christmas card that he has a small auto dealership and is a real estate broker in booming central California. He is in touch with **John Wilson** regularly.

## '57

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A sign of OUR times—I no longer hear how everyone's kids are doing, but grandchildren totals, retirement plans and migrations south seem to dominate. To wit: **Ned Beebe** has three, is in the European travel mode with homes in Naples (not Me.) and Gilford, NH. **Gene Bouley** has a Class record ten, is chilling out after a long and illustrious career as a teacher/coach with homes in Leesburg, FL, and No. Woodstock, NH. **Ned Stone** has one grandchild and is threatening to move to Latin America in five years after retirement from the Navy. We all send our best to Ned's dad, Ben, now 90. **Wink Pescosolido** has one granddaughter, is still actively farming in Exeter, CA, finding time for a 300-mile bike trip with his Boy Scout troop. **Max Ule** continues both his investment career with a new firm in New York City, and his passion for photography with four shows recently, and plenty of sales. **Jeff Fitts** has joined the ranks of the Snowbirds with a home in Sarasota, returning north to Wolfeboro, NH for the summer. Summer in NH is July 4TH, all day. And who should know better than your Class(less) Secretary who has five grandkids scattered from Concord, NH to Seattle to San Jose. He and the lovely Ms. Doris spend all four seasons in Boscawen, NH, an affluent, intellectual suburb of Penacook, former home of Hannah Dustin. You can look it up.

## '58

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The members of the Class of 1958 have now entered into their 60s and most are now experiencing grandparenthood and are entering their golden years with retirement on their minds.

After 35 years, **Jim Main** reported that he has retired from Japan Airlines, but he continues to do extensive traveling with Claudette. For his 60TH birthday, they flew to Tahiti with a week aboard the Radisson-Seven Seas "Paul Gauguin."

**Jack Morse** has now been retired for five years, but has been acting as a general contractor in building a TV station in Sophia, Bulgaria for Newscorp. He also expressed disappointment that this favorite pilot, **Harvey Hayden**, has retired from the friendly skies.

News has come from **Fred Sayles** that he has retired from the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, although he continues to do considerable teaching and traveling on a consultant basis. Fred also reported that his daughter, Jen, is finishing up medical school and that his son, Aaron, had been enjoying the leisurely pursuits of skiing and snowboarding until he recently landed a great job with a Fortune 500 company. Fred was the proud recipient of a medal from the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences in recognition of his research in the deep sea, as well as a Special Creativity Award from the National Science Foundation. Not bad for a small-town boy from South Freeport, ME!

**Tom Grose** reported from London that the first of his three daughters will be married in 2001, and he is hard at work earning sufficient funds to provide a proper celebration. Tom still spends summers in Christmas Cove, ME.

**Mike Dunsford** dropped by GDA for the first time in 40 years this past fall and reported "What an extraordinary experience after so many years. The natural, but manicured beauty of the campus and the many new buildings and facilities for 300+ students was very, very impressive...and moving. Lots of fond memories." Mike did wonder aloud as to why there were no buildings with the Withington name thereon—everything seemed to be named Pescosolido, but nothing named Withington. Nuffy responded that his baseball club, the Yakima Bears, posted a loss for the 32ND straight year, which explains why there are no Withington buildings at GDA. Mike is still staying active and enjoys skiing in season and plans to climb Mt. Whitney this summer, hopefully followed by Mt. Ranier in the fall. Mike is certainly staying fit!

**Richard Morse** will soon be retiring from his mission at the Tenwek Hospital in Kenya where he and Betty have been ministering to

the spiritual and medical needs of thousands of families in need. Upon their return, they will be setting up housekeeping in Florida, and he hopes that he will be able to attend our next reunion in 2003.

I report that I am once again a proud grandfather. My granddaughter, Ava Elizabeth, came into this world on January 8, 2001. This now makes three grandchildren.

The Secretarial Succession Committee has held several meetings to consider applicants for the position of Secretary of the Class of 1958, but unfortunately, no applications have yet been submitted. Maybe now that we have so many of our classmates retiring that someone will step forward. It's a great way to utilize all those writing and vocabulary skills that were learned so many years ago at GDA under Uncle Tom Mercer and Mac Murphy.

## '59

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**Jim Foley** says, "I was very sorry to hear of **Dana Atchley's** death on 12/13/00. His uncle is on staff with me at the Anna Jacques Hospital in the Port. I have also purchased a seven-acre farm in Albion, ME. We're going through the inspections now and maybe I'll be in by February (have to sell my house first). Thank God I'll be retired at last. Plenty of room for company—everyone's welcome."

**Geoff Lewis** writes that he is still basking in retirement. He had lunch with **Ferg Janzen** in late July while on a trip to New England. He reminds us that he has room in D.C. for visitors.

**Walter Cannon** tells us all is well in California. He married off two sons last summer. Still practicing as a thoracic surgeon in Palo Alto.

**Roy Nash** emailed me recently that during the New Year's holiday he and his wife went on a tour of antebellum homes around Natchez, MS. He is enjoying the lack of stress that comes from retiring from corporate America, but frequently misses the action of being in business. He and his wife Erna live in Naples, FL.

I received a great email from **Bob Pouch**. He and Susan are fine and recently returned from a trip to their place in Naples, FL, where they go to spend Christmas every year. Better weather, lots of fruits and veggies and end-



less tennis. Remarking on my letter to the class regarding the loss of three classmates, he states that the march of time takes its toll. His parents will be in their 90s this year but he has lost two brothers-in-law to cancer. As a result, he thinks it is evermore important to take time to do the important things in one's personal life. Chasing our tails in the corporate world robs many people of time and perspective. He is planning to retire next year even though he really enjoys what he is doing in the maritime industry. He continues to write for the U.S. Naval Institute and the Economist group's Journal of Commerce. He and Susan are planning to charter a boat in Turkey this year and cruise the eastern Mediterranean Greek Islands and Turkish coast from Bodrum and Torba. He and Susan now have two grandsons.

I spoke to **Bill Whiting** in December. He is still busy as ever with his barn restoration projects and computer consulting with Triton High School. Finally, **Peter Sherin** called and we chatted about the loss of our classmates. I talked about now that I have passed my father's death age, I have begun to look at life and the future differently. He agreed and said that we are now in a close-end situation in our lives. Not a morbid thought but one of introspection and taking stock. Similar to what **Bob Pouch** said: our priorities are changing and what we value most is becoming more obvious. But this is not to say we must slow down and capitulate to time. Quite the opposite, it is time to begin new adventures and pursue new interests. The brevity of life urges us to do what we really want to do, to enjoy doing what brings us the greatest feeling of satisfaction and contentment.

'60

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**Bill Tuxbury** writes that he has been doing some general management consulting and interim management work. His son, James, is attending Columbia Law School while daughter, Kathy, is working for the Massachusetts Audubon Society on Cape Cod. Bill's youngest daughter, Susan, is completing her Master's in Marine Biology at Florida Atlantic University. Bill states that the weather has been cold on the Cape this winter. Bill...it's called winter in New England, but you can always visit Susan in a warmer climate. Maybe Bill could do some consulting

with Florida's election folks, especially Florida's Secretary of State, on how to manage an election.

Haven't seen Sharon and **Jim Deveney** since the Reunion in the spring, but Jim writes that he is enjoying serving as President of the Alumni/ae Council and as a representative to the Board of Trustees. It's good to see some of our classmates actively involved in GDA. Jim is a good person to have on the Council and Board. He brings a lot of tradition and excellence to these committees. See...I can be serious at times.

**Rick Benner** dropped a lengthy note, but with my failing eyesight...huh?...I might not be able to decipher everything, but here is an attempt. After 20 years he is enjoying life in Charlottesville where he continues to coordinate employee career development for UVA. He also is starting "Career Coaching" which is a weekly phone conversation helping folks in transition. I hope I get the next part right, but it looks like daughter Holly, 23, is in San Francisco in conflict resolution; Tommy, 15, is a drummer; and Jack, seven, drums on Dad. In the words of Mr. Ohrn, "Attaboy, Jack!" Rick's wife, Ann, is transitioning herself after 20 years of social work. But, what is she transitioning herself to? Or maybe you can just transition, but not to something? Rick also states that he is still a BOSOX fan and founded the "Curse of the Bambino" Society of central Virginia. Way to go Rick! Sounds like life is full of transitions for you. Do you ever get to the South Byfield area? Would love to see you. Do you still have that flat top haircut? It's amazing what pictures stay in the memory bank!

**David Connor** writes that he has dined several times in the past few months with **Fran and Buster Navins '31**. David states, "It has been great remembering GDA in the 50s and 60s. Buster and Fran reside at 'The Willows'—a retirement community in Westborough, MA." Does the name Buster Navins bring back special memories to you like it does to me? What a committed Master he was and still is. I can still hear his halftime speeches at a soccer game or his witty quips in Latin class. "I just dropped a pearl, now string it." A very special person who influenced many in so many ways!

Well, that's about all the news for now. Well, there is a little more to add. After 36 years in this wonderful profession called education, 25 of those years at Hamilton-Wenham Regional High School as a math teacher (three years), an Assistant Principal (three years), and the last 19 years as Principal, I will be retiring from Hamilton-Wenham this

summer. It will be a very bittersweet and emotional time for me, but I am not retiring from work. If anyone needs a math teacher or an administrator in the North Shore area of Massachusetts, give me a call. I am open to any and all suggestions and possibilities.

But, before I close I must ask, "Where are all my classmates?" Have you all retired from work and writing? At least send me an email at elwell@massed.net. I need to hear from you. My therapist says that my anxiety attacks are from never resolving long standing issues around being the "Byfield farmer" in my Governor Dummer years. **Pete Stonebraker**... what are you up to? What are you laughing about **Bill Tuxbury**? I've got some stories in the memory bank about you. **Bob Adams**... you live in West Newbury, a suburb of Newburyport and I never hear from you! **Arnie Wood**... are you still in Swampscott or Marblehead? **Geoff Nichols** ...I was in Woodstock, VT in November, but couldn't find you! Classmates...don't send me your kid's tuition bills, but you can send me information about your kids. I do promise that if I don't hear from you, little stories of GDA past about you may appear in a future class notes for the *Archon*.

The porch light is still on for you, but if I don't get more mail I may have to downsize the wattage of the bulb. In any case, my time is up and I thank you for yours!

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40TH CLASS REUNION  
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**Lorine and Alan Booth** spent their first Christmas in Tucson with their girls. They also had a nice fall visit with **Dave Stringer**. The Booths celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary in November. They plan to spend half their time in Tucson and half in Toledo, working on their golf games in both locations.

**John Carroll** was good enough to forward me a copy of his family Christmas letter, which is quoted in part as follows:

Torrey completed her master's degree in education at Columbia Teacher's College this summer, and she is now teaching fourth grade at a public school in the TriBeCa



neighborhood of New York City. Her husband, Ben Smith, is a third year medical student at Columbia, and between the two of them, 150-hour work-weeks are commonplace! Julia is in her second year of a Ph.D. program at Emory University in Atlanta. She is studying Spanish language and literature in a truly abstruse and grueling program. We might understand some of what Julia is grappling with—except that all of her reading, writing, and thoughts are in Spanish! She too is teaching—Spanish 101 to Emory undergrads.

Winsie is thriving as a sophomore at Hanover High School. We joke that a social service agency will take her away from us for allowing her to participate in so many (too many?) activities—volleyball and crew in the fall, hoops in the winter, and crew again in the spring, piano, acapella singing, school council, a few honors courses, volunteer work, and oh yes, good friends! As a special treat, she gets to haul brush with her parents on week-ends! We marvel at her energy and focus, and we relish the days as she whirls through high school.

After a decade in the commercial real estate field, Nan hung out her own shingle this year. Nan Carroll Properties is a commercial real estate company based in Hanover. It's an exciting challenge being on your own, for, as the saying goes, "When you're self-employed, every morning you wake up unemployed!" Our economy is strong, and Nan is carving out her share of the action. It's a dog eat dog business, but Nan enjoys the occasional bowl of Alpo!

John continues as director of strategic planning at Banknorth Group, which has grown to be one of the top 50 commercial banks in the country. Headquarters is now in Portland, ME, so he works there half the week and telecommutes the rest. Being away from home two nights a week is a nuisance, but the great people he works with make it worthwhile.

We love where we live, but travel is fun, too. Each year we head to Boca Grande, on the gulf coast of Florida, for a lovely, sunny and warm Christmas. Summer travel this year was a wonderful sail from Camden, ME to Saint John River in New Brunswick with John's brother and sister-in-law on their very comfortable boat.

We are quietly and steadily improving our home and land along the Ompompanoosuc River in Norwich... This year's massive project involved a huge excavator and a very

large back hoe. With John's vision and expert earth sculpting capabilities and Nan's uncanny ability to pick rocks and chop roots, we have created what could pass for a par three golf course.

**Phil Teuscher** writes from Connecticut that he and Alice were off to the Island Regatta as guests of a polo-playing friend. Phil is looking forward to some fox-hunting in the United Kingdom and later, more polo in Canada.

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As usual the Floridians are the ones who keep us up-to-date. **Bob Fullerton** writes: "Life in Florida continues to be good—the weather is wonderful, especially in the winter (hot and humid in the summah, though!). I am able to get together with **Bob Mann** periodically, that is, when he's not jetting off to someplace exotic in his Gulf Stream V (that's five). I think he spends more time in the air than I do! It's tough to keep up with his latest adventures—safaris in Africa, cruises up the Amazon, and weeks in places like Bali or Patagonia just to name a few!!! Supposedly he even met Richard Gere while touring Tibet! What a life!!! In May I graduated to the Boeing 777—the most sophisticated commercial jetliner in the sky today. This will, no doubt, be my final airplane as retirement will be mandatory in a little over four years. Just a little over two years to go until our 40TH Reunion. Hopefully, there will be a good turnout. Bene says he'll be there for the 50TH and if I play my cards right, perhaps I can fly up with him!" On cue, I heard from Bene as well, who apparently has made selling residential real estate more lucrative than owning a Las Vegas casino. Where did I go wrong? Bene reports: "Just got back from Tahiti on my new G5 (Gulf Stream) and am looking forward to my African safari next week. Other than that news—not much is going on! Just trying to survive advancing age!"

Advancing age is the theme of **Don Connelly's** missive, whom we all thought would

be fixed in adolescence forever: "I am proud to report that my daughter, Lisa, is expecting a child in May. This will be my first grandchild. I always thought I was the only one in our class not aging. Well, I just fell to earth! I'm also contemplating slowing down somewhat after more than 20 years of getting on airplanes nearly every week. It's time to enjoy Florida, golf and the pursuit of personal happiness. I plan to stay with Putnam for the foreseeable future, but hopefully with a little less travel. All is well here!"

Finally, word from **Forbes Farmer**, who reports, "I'm now in my 26TH year of teaching criminology and various sociological research courses at Franklin Pierce College and recently started teaching graduate courses at Fitchburg State College in their criminal justice program. My wife, Marabeth, and youngest son, Jonathan, just returned from visiting my oldest son, Seth, in Jackson Hole, WY. Have recently become reacquainted with **Dave Sullivan '64** who has moved nearby." A request from your correspondent: anyone wishing to assist in tracking down some of our wandering classmates whose addresses are out of date, please give me a call. Happy real millennium!

'64

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**Eric Menz** is now with Boise Cascade in Alabama. His career in paper began with Crown Zellerbach and has kept him moving around the country.

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We are all indebted to **Nick Apollonio** for updating us on his activities; else we'd have no notes this time! He writes, "Kristin and I are expecting in June; her first, my third. Ben is now 17; Elizabeth, 12, both into music. I am filling several orders for what friend Gordon Bok calls, 'the World's best 12-string' and will be doing several luthier's shows in '01. Working on new CDs of Maine coast music including a collection of original fiddle tunes." Congratulations in advance, Nick, on your anticipated June arrival as well as your con-



tinued successes in instrument-crafting and music-making. And thanks again for keeping us in mind. Before wishing you all a great spring and summer, I remind those of you who might be interested that our clever Class Agent, **Jeff Kane**, has great photos of GDA and environs posted on his website at [www.oceansong.com/gda](http://www.oceansong.com/gda); check 'em out!

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### 35TH CLASS REUNION

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**Roy Hope** is still here, after all these years. "Never thought I'd end up in the Midwest. Been more than 20 years, mostly best. Always will have fond memories of GDA days!"

**Barry Sullivan** says, "Upon completion of five years as Dean of the Law School at Washington & Lee, the faculty endowed a commencement prize for excellence in constitutional law in my honor and the students dedicated an issue of the Law Review to me. During 2000-01, I am teaching constitutional and administrative law as a Fulbright Professor at the University of Warsaw and will also spend half the year as a visiting fellow at the University of London."

It is mid-winter in Maine as I write this, and it will be high spring by the time you are reading it. The way the time seems to fly, I can sympathize with **Roy Hope** who wrote to say he doesn't know where the time goes! He is still in the Twin Cities area and says he can't seem to get away—with a three and a half year-old that can be hard!

I saw **Tom Hildreth** at the regular monthly contra-dance in Skowhegan, ME, (for those of you non-folky types, contra-dancing is the tradition rural dance of New England—it is one of the ancestors of American square dancing—and is a LOT of fun! It has nothing to do with Nicaraguan rebels!). Tom said he had recently run into **Tom Walker** in Portland, ME (not the other one in the west). Tom H. is still skiing and lives in the shadow of Sugarloaf USA. Tom mentioned the upcoming Reunion, but made no promises.

With that subtle transition, guys it is number 35 this year. I plan to be there, just to

see who shows up! Why don't you? I hope more of you are alive than who send me postcards for the Class Notes!

Are any of you birders? I plan to sneak out to Plum Island early on Saturday or Sunday morning to do a couple of hours of bird watching (with one of America's premier birding spots just down the road who can resist?). If any of you would like to join me, please email me or drop me a postcard to let me know and we'll set up a carpool.

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If you're visiting Disneyland, **Rich Brayton** highly recommends you check into the new Grand Californian Hotel at the "California Experience" theme park that opened this year. By the way, Rich did the interior design.

**Mike Rogers** is still loving the "California Experience" himself and reports that he is art directing "at last" on a feature film with DreamWorks. Across the street, he has been pitching small animation projects to the Disney Channel. Mike caught **Joe Schwarzer** on the Discovery Channel talking about shipwrecks.

Every afternoon during the past school year, **John Easton** would take a break from the printing business that he and Doris run in Wisconsin to go teach math to third graders who just can't get enough of it. The class was suggested by a teacher there, and one of the two original students was John's son Billy. Eventually, ten youngsters were showing up. Maybe it's time for a career switch.

**Phil Finn** is considering a switch after helping Bradlee's turn out the lights. He and Jane traveled to Berkeley in March to visit Philip, Jr.

Garden State boy **Jim Nevius** has wrapped up a quarter-century with Amerada Hess and moved across the border to the Quaker State, where he works for the Hake Group. He is a VP for central operations. Hake consists of five companies engaged in construction, boiler making, and other enterprises.

You've heard the rumors about **Larry Miller** showing up for the 35TH reunion. Now there's a new rumor of that sort, involving **Ward Westhafer**. Ward has been in South Florida ever since college, and this would be his first reunion.

**Anthony Gerard** reports from the Big

Apple that he has been operating as Uncle Anthony for a dot-com startup since April 2000. Son Andrew is now in Scotland attending St. Andrew's.

Speaking of New Yorkers, **Jeff Wood's** youngest, Christine, is finishing her first year at NYU. **Gardner Sisk** will begin paying college tuition in the fall. His other lament is that instead of becoming simpler, life seems to drop more issues on his desk every day. Gardner Mattress, based in Salem, MA, is opening an outlet in Rye, NH, and may add one on the South Shore.

Meanwhile, up in Salem, NH, **Doug Curtis's** company had another record year in 2000. Two new wires he designed (for internal medical procedures) are starting to sell well. Daughter **Lindsay '97**, a GDA alum, seems to have similar interests; she graduated in May from Tufts with a degree in biology and biomedical engineering.

If you want to book a musical act for your child's college graduation, the launching of your sailboat, or another major life event, call Southpointe Music (304-744-4502) and hope you're not too late to get in on **Reid Pugh's** "Better Late Than Never" American Tour. The music is acoustic rock.

That news came too late for **Bill Dougherty**, who had to make other musical arrangements in January when son William got married. William is about to go to Estonia for five years to co-run an office for a Columbus-based industrial firm. Bill's far-flung family also includes Andrew, due back soon from a semester in Beijing; Lauren, a broadcast and ballroom dancing major at Brigham Young; and Alyson, a *summa cum laude* graduate this spring from Illinois Wesleyan.

GDA trustee **Bill Alfond** has been doing time-zone math, too. Son Reis is finishing up a semester in Kenya. Reis is due back at Dartmouth this summer and is revving up for soccer season.

As of press time, **Paul Hemmerich** was awaiting the results of bond issues in Goffstown and Deerfield, NH, in hopes he will be doing architectural work on high schools in those two towns. If you're ever in the Queen City (Manchester), look for the Chase Block. Paul was involved in the restoration of two adjacent buildings that had been a pigeon roost for ten years after a fire. The project has been submitted as a candidate for the National Trust/HUD "Excellence in Historic Preservation" Award.

**Bill Haggerty** doesn't get paid a plug nickel for his work on buildings. He recently joined wife Barbara on the board of the local chapter of Habitat for Humanity. Bill has



switched jobs, becoming CFO of Metech International, a precious metals recycling company in northern Rhode Island.

Determined to give the people of Greater Lexington as many dining options as possible, **Roy Meyers** is planning to open his fourth restaurant late this summer. It will be an upscale bar and grill with a diner look and an all-day menu. Despite the demands of his restaurants, Roy manages to play tennis six days a week and will bring his racket to the 35TH.

**Ben Beach** may not have gone beyond pony football, but daughter Emily was named the Player of the Year in field hockey in the Washington Metro area. She is ticketed for the University of Virginia.

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News from near and far...

**Jon Williams** surfaced. He wrote: "Remember me. I was booted from GDA after our junior year, but back a year later and I graduated in '69. After University of Colorado, I stayed in Boulder County, where I am today." Jon and his wife, Mary, were in Atlanta in February for a national Association of Home Builders convention. I was unfortunately in Providence. "When I return, I am going straight to Vail to ski with **Tim Tenney** and **Pete Borneman**. Tim just built THE ultimate ski house in Bachelor Gulch at Beaver Creek (very toney!). Unfortunately, he also blew out a knee the day they moved in. I hope that he will be back in shape this year. It was great to read about everybody in the *Archon*. I used to see Boots once in a while, and **Windsor White** used to be around here, but I lost track of him. I called **Bill "Dingle" Deegan** for a Govie event about 20 years ago and he acted like either he was from Mars or I was. I guess that was no surprise. The last '69 reunion was Bragdon's going away party, and I saw CF at that event. He looks absolutely the same."

**Elliott H. O'Reilly** writes: "It was a bit of a shock to see my memories of greasies and coffee frappes at the Grill lying in a heap of rubble. Of course, as rarely as I get east from St. Louis, I still had memories of Thompson Auditorium being new and modern. Then again, I still think of myself as a kid as well. One thing that never changes is my continu-

ing amazement at how much I learned at GDA, despite myself, and how it continues to affect my life. On the other hand, I tried to follow **Peter Barkin's** example of giving to the Annual Fund online but it would not accept my donation. Am I getting too old to fully comprehend this new-fangled technology? Actually, no, it turns out that there was a glitch on the website that day. Dorothea Suggs graciously accepted my donation by phone and emailed me back quickly that all was working again."

**Dave Mitchell** wrote: "It was good to get your note. Do you have email addresses for everyone yet? It would be great to get a list. Life in Florida remains very enjoyable with frequent travel and the occasional vacation. Sunbeam continues to have its problems, as the press is all too happy to write about, but all in all I am having a great time and am optimistic. Fifth grandchild arrived this year (beat that, Kangis!). I try to stay even with the weight and age curve, but it seems to get harder to do. Stop by if you're down this way."

**Chuck Johnson**: "2000 went by too fast, but our family did manage to sandwich in a couple of notable events between work, classes, choir rehearsals, and frequent commuter flights from Sacramento to Tacoma. Chuck hit the big 50 and Brian turned 21. Brian graduates from the University of Puget Sound in the Spring with a math-biology double major (sidebar note to the GDA counseling office, this is a school worth adding to the list of campuses to consider in the Northwest) and he's following his mother's footsteps with enthusiasm, having discovered he really enjoys singing in the University Chorale. Meanwhile, Chuck continues to excel as the concertgoers' chauffeur. The only real downer of the year was having to turn down Peter's invite to play in the holiday alumni hockey game (never mind I haven't laced on my skates since Byfield days) because I had just suffered a slightly herniated disk the week before his letter, oh, well... Wishing you and your family happy holidays and a prosperous and healthy new year."

**Ben Brewster**: "I guess it's finally time to respond to one of the cards instead of just saving them with the intent to write later. So here goes. I've left the organic coffee business and am now looking for a new challenge. Any small startups (or continue-ons) looking for a good, experienced General/Operations/Production Manager? In the interim, I'm staying busy with other things, including the chairmanship at the Rising Tide Charter

School, a 5-8 Commonwealth charter school that we started about three years ago. I've got one daughter in the Charter School and the other is rowing at Cape Cod Academy. (When is GDA going to straighten the Parker River and start a crew team?) For the record (and at the risk of getting even more fundraising letters) I am at: 44 Brook Rd., Plymouth, MA 02360 or askbenj@alum.mit.edu."

**Bob Martin** wrote that he has purchased a 1928 Spanish-style home in Sonoma, CA last October. He has been named the kitchen manager at Saddle Creek Golf Course, home of the Northern California Pro Golfers Assoc.

For me, things continue to be busy in Atlanta. We are still planning to move north in a year or two. The load of starting a new company while keeping this one going has been interesting but exciting. Keep in touch. Send me your email address and I will put together a listing, or check out the on-line email directory at [www.gda.org](http://www.gda.org).

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**Jeff Brown** has, after 25 years!, finally completed the entire Appalachian Trail. This past summer he did the section from Monson to Rangeley, ME, without his long-time trail-mate, **Jack Cutler**, who was unable to hike those last 100 miles with Jeff.

**Henry Eaton** says daughter Brooke is doing well as a sophomore at GDA, while son Perry is a sixth grader at Fessenden. As wife Cathy consults with a start-up internet company, Henry is building his new law practice and "reliving part of my youth with Duke and the Drivers World Tour 2001!"

**Mike Franchot** and his wife, Marty, have four children ages 15, 13, 12 and 10. Mike has little time left in the day for much else after work—except to ponder the beginning of his 50th year!

**Johns Congdon** writes from Vermont that his one-of-a-kind furniture business is doing very well. He is very busy with three children over 20 years and three under 12 years old! He may move to a warmer climate. Boston?



**Larry Young** lives in Wellesley, MA and owns a residential construction company. Louise, his wife of 24 years, is an award winning public school teacher and a writer with some publishing success. Daughter Hanna is a sophomore at Bucknell, while son Henry is a junior in high school. Charlie, number three, is in middle school.

**John Newman:** "Wonderful 30TH reunion in June of 2000! Hope to see everyone and more for our 35TH. 2001 marks the end of a very successful and stimulating seven year relationship with GDA with the graduation of our second daughter from the Academy. Happy New Year!"

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# '72

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**George Freimarck** writes he still lives in Glen Ridge, NJ, with wife Gratia Pelliciotti, and two daughters, Olivia (9) and Averyl (6). He is still doing reinsurance with American Re, subsidiary of Munich Re, Germany, the world's largest group in this business. Mr. James' "choir practice" comes in handy singing "O Tannenbaum" at the company party. It pays to read the *Archon*: Unbeknownst to him living literally around the corner is **David Shove '71**. Their daughters are playmates of the Shoves, and they've been entertained at many a party graciously hosted by Dave and his wife Beth, but never made the GDA connection until reading a recent comment by **Steve Connelly** in the '71 class notes. He vaguely remembers Dave, but there are enough common references to make sense of it all. Saw the GDA campus

over the summer. Much has changed and for the better! Look forward to making a reunion one these years.

**Bill Frost** writes he is starting his fifth year as head tennis coach for Endicott College in Beverly, MA. He is coaching both women's (fall) and men's (spring) teams. The school has been coed for six years now—women's program is more established, men's Program is still young. Both programs are growing. School is growing. Opened an 80,000 square foot Sports Center in August, 1999. He is also able to do some tennis teaching at the school too. There are six outdoor courts, two indoors in the sports center. He is still living in Beverly. He heads down to his place in Florida occasionally and out to San Diego where he's got a couple of timeshares. He had the tremendous pleasure of spending the month of January 2000 in Australia.

**Peter Conway** writes that all is well with the Conway family and not much is new. His daughter is a senior and waiting to hear from her college choices. He had drinks and dinner with **Paul Commito** and **Peter Franklin**. Paul is moving to New Jersey, too.

**Jim Irving** was in Richmond, VA in December on business. He called on **Peter Follansbee**, who is teaching English at the Collegiate School, a very fine private school in the west end of Richmond. Pete is passing on the lessons he learned from Tommy Bord and Mike Reid to another generation.

**Dicken Crane** is still down on the farm, with place-based educational programs hopefully on the threshold of expansion. He makes occasional forays to Boston to serve as a trustee for the Massachusetts Environmental Trust. They are the grantor of the money that Massachusetts motorists donate for the environmental license plates, the whale tail is the most well known.

**Chris Swenson** spent lots of time at home in Seattle, WA and lots of time away for both work and pleasure this past year. He performed in France and then explored Corsica with his wife, Abigail and the kids. He has seen **Gus Selke** a few times this year as well.

As for the Durham family, **Geoff Durham** reports not much has changed recently. "Work at Allstate has been very busy. The family is fine. Our seventh grade daughter, Andrea, still fills most of our free time. Celebrating my 25TH anniversary with Allstate this coming June. Hard to believe, but over half my life has been spent at Allstate. My wife, Jana, spends the rest of her free time donating it as the registrar for the local Girl Scout council. I spend my free time doing prairie restoration in the local forest preserves."

Keep those cards, letters and emails coming!

# '73

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Greetings from sunny Arizona! Sorry about our "no show" in the last *Archon*, I'll make up some news the next time. Better yet, please do write. I certainly enjoy hearing from you and I know our classmates do as well. So here's all the news that's fit to print:

It was good to hear from my faithful correspondent, **Roberto Arguello**, still in Miami. Roberto, as I may have reported in an earlier write-up, is enjoying his work as a commercial banker for LAFISE, one of the largest financial groups operating in Central America, Panama, Venezuela, and the Dominican Republic. As Executive Vice President of the group, his duties are many and extensive. Still, he finds time to write a syndicated column for the main Hispanic newspapers in the US and Central America and has written a best seller—*La Vida Secreta de los Sandinistas*—which is now in its seventh printing. In addition to spending quality time with his wife and two kids, and in his spare time, he has established a company that designs and sells handcrafted chess sets that depict historic military battles. Roberto, thanks for writing. When you go to the Grand Canyon, I'm only a few hours away. I'll be in touch with details in case a mini-reunion can be arranged. If you want to keep up with Roberto's activities, the World Wide Web can help. Just type in [www.militarychess.com](http://www.militarychess.com).

Got a note from the lovely Lynn Beach, wife of **Jim Beach**. Pleased at this point to get mail from anyone, I understand why Lynn wrote instead of Jim. Jim is currently busy as the project manager on the South Boston Convention Center. He's been a busy bee as he was formerly the general superintendent on the Charles River Crossing, Boston's newest cable-stayed bridge. Still, Lynn writes that his passion continues to be boating on "Independence", his 42-foot sea ray. Lynn and Jim have two sons, Chris, 16 and Jon, 14. Lynn, thanks for writing and tell that "hard hat" of yours that we want to see his smiling face at the next reunion if not sooner!

**David Goldbaum** reports: "I presently live in Bedford, MA with my wife Sumiko and our ten-month-old daughter Ruby. I'm working as a construction project manager for the



northeast developer of Bread & Circus Markets. We are building our house in Bedford and hope to move in the first of the year."

"Life in Texas is good," says one **John C. Blake**. I have to admit that I'd agree, as I once was a resident of that fair state. John is still with the Rangers organization and since Tom Hicks bought the club things couldn't be better. Hey John, Tom Hicks was one of my parents at St. Mark's—in the "for what its worth department." John now oversees communications for the Southwest Sports Group that includes the Rangers and the Stars. His wife Harriet is editor of their local Irving, TX newspaper. Christopher, 11 and Becky, eight keep them running! I should add that Harriet is also one of my faithful wife writers. Thanks Harriet for keeping us up to date. Keep writing!

Note from **Tim Crane**, "Not much to report but all is well." Thanks Tim, even a short note warms the heart.

One of my great treats of the New Year was a note from **Jonathan Fischel**. I'm not sure how you would forget but for those who have, he was our English Speaking Union student. Jonathan writes that he is married, "no children; we live in central London, which is great; my wife Katie is heavily involved in theatre, writing, directing, producing; I support, and also occupy myself in the financial world working at The Financial Services Authority in banking supervision." Jonathan has a new address as well. He can now be reached at 38A Duncan Terrace, London N18AL, England. I'm sure he'd love to hear from his GDA friends. His note brought a smile to my face as I have fond memories of our GDA days.

**Bill O'Leary** writes that everything is fine in San Francisco with the O'Leary family—Will, 12, John, ten and Hope, six. One of the things I miss now that I am no longer working at GDA are those Trustee weekends when I'd get a chance to see Bill. Hopefully, my travels will take me to San Francisco where I will promptly look him up.

Another surprise treat was a note from **David Metcalf**. Dave was recently blessed with a new son, August 29TH. This is his fourth. Dave is working in the transportation engineering field for a private firm in northern Virginia. Unfortunately, I missed seeing Dave by one day when he visited GDA last summer. I was on my way to Arizona when he made his return after ten years. Really sorry to have missed that treat, but looking forward to seeing Dave and any of you who come to Phoenix.

**The Youngs** are getting use to western life in Arizona. Eddie is a senior at Phoenix Country Day School and has been admitted early decision to Pomona College in Claremont, CA. Last year as a junior at GDA he received the Yale Book Prize which was a nice ending to his career at the school as we moved west. He is also a finalist in the College Board's National Achievement Scholarship program. Kristina, my middle one, has returned to GDA and is a boarder in the junior class. When I returned her to school recently I was reminded of my first day at GDA and how my mother must have felt as she drove off the campus. I cried when I left Kristina, which reminded me that my mom must have too. In fact, many of your moms must have as well. Funny that it has taken me all these years to come to such a simple realization. My Aaliyah, age four, is thriving at her new pre-school. Sheila stays busy as a Board member at Aaliyah's school, a Head of School's wife, racing around with a son getting ready to leave for college and now a mom who has to mail boxes to a daughter at boarding school. Life is good. May God bless you in this New Year and give you lots of good news and lots of time to write it up so you can send it my way. All the best!

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**Steve Bottomley** writes, "In 1997, I was hired by a local family to build a new public golf course in Greenland, NH. It opened July 1, 2000 and I am now the General Manager of the Breakfast Hill Golf Club. I'm still single, living in Rye, NH with my golden retriever, Kelly."

**Jean Bethel Baer** is overseas in Oslo, Norway—it is very dark! Jean stopped by GDA two years ago and had a nice visit with **Ed Young '73**.

Congratulations to **Jill Stevens Keith**. She married Robert on September 30, 2000 and then honeymooned in Nantucket. They are living in Kirkwood, MO, where Bob is a Director at PricewaterhouseCoopers.

Writes **Stephen Lu**, "I have two dental practices, one in Tewksbury and one in North Andover. I bought a new house in North Andover. I have two sons, Stephen (16 years old) and Patrick (14 years old)." Stephen has been married to a great wife for 10 years.

He is offering a 10% discount on dental work for all GDA alums.

I have changed jobs once again. Now I am selling professional services for a small consulting firm, ix Partners, headquartered in Salem, NH. I work from home and visit clients in New York a few days per week. Working from home is great! My email address is pjmtoner@aol.com and work address is pam.toner@ixpartners.com.

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**Andy Skaff** is living in Newburyport. Has a daughter, five and a son, three. He is in the screen printing business in Seabrook, NH with brother **Bill '74**.

'77

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My apologies for neglecting my duties for the last *Archon*. Here are all the notes, some more recent than others.

**Tim Richards** writes that life is busier than ever. He is juggling his local law practice with his responsibilities as chair of the Natick Planning Board and his kids' activities. Zack is 12 and in seventh grade and Sam is 10 and in the fifth grade. Between all that he tries to see his wife, Leigh, on occasion. He says he can't wait to see everyone back in Byfield next June (2002) for our 25TH reunion.

**Ginny (Virginia) Sutton Hundley** wrote me a great card, unfortunately the mail carrier's dog chewed up part of it. From what I can gather, she was under the misunderstanding that life would get easier when her



kids started school!! Her youngest, Sam, is in a full-time tennis academy and started playing tournaments last spring. They start globetrotting with him as he has a tournament in Germany! Her oldest, Tyler, starts middle school soon and he plans to be the next Randy Johnson. They all love Davidson and plan to stay there for good. Ginny is coaching tennis—one women's team and two kids' teams. They took both kids out of school in November and went to Romania. A great experience. She is looking forward to our 25TH (that can't be!).

**Steve Pingree** wrote that he is living in Maine and teaching special education in the Camden Rockport Jr. High. He has two wonderful kids, Brian and Chelsea. Brian is a freshman at Dartmouth, plays the piano, and is in pre-law. He made the Dartmouth super team in mock trial. Chelsea is in the eighth grade, plays French horn, and the piano, and sings. She is tops in her class. In August Steve and his "gorgeous and exciting wife" will celebrate their 20TH anniversary! "Where does the time go?" Email: Steve\_Pingree@fivetowns.net

**David Phippen** has been married ten years to his wife, Michelle. He is busy running his landscape contract business and with his two boys, Ben (eight) and Tuck (six). He just renovated his house in Beverly ("I'll never do that again!") He hopes all is well and will see all of you at the 25TH in a couple of years. "Where's Joe?"

**Elizabeth "Beth" Kannan** writes that she is living in Bedford, NY, with her husband Jim Spiegelman and her son Jack (five) and daughter Elizabeth (one). She is keeping busy with her family and her interior design business where she specializes in the restoration and decoration of historic houses. Beth, we look forward to seeing you at GDA in June of 2002!

**Douglas Cawley** and his wife just bought a custom picture framing store in the Marina district of San Francisco. He still plays guitar for his band. His wife is finishing up her creative writing degree at San Francisco State University.

**Mike Tulloch** and his wife have a new addition to their household as of August 7, 2000. Zachary Griffin joined David, 11, Bennett, eight, and Katharine, three. He hopes all is well with the class of '77. He had lunch with **Robin Wolfson** in New York City this summer and they had a great time catching up.

**Kate Wise Tewksbury** is busy in Hunt Valley, MD with her two kids Taylor and MacKenzie. Oh, and Iko, their dog. She and Tom are big into their kids' sports and I think

it has become a full-time job for Kate. She would have been able to attend my wedding, but was way too busy organizing a Super Bowl party to cheer on the Ravens!

I (Carrie) was married on January 27 to a wonderful man named Joseph Nissi. We live in Evanston, IL (moved here in August 2000) and love it. Andrew, seven, and Sarah, five, have adjusted well to life in the mid-west. They especially like how close we live to the Lincoln Park Zoo! Life on a lake is much different than life on the ocean, but we are quickly getting used to it. After all, we can't complain about the beach being less than a mile from our house!

Now that I am settled and finally organized, I have a real email address: jnissi2@aol.com Please feel free to email me anytime with news, and I will be sure to include it in class notes. If anyone is ever in the Chicago area, please be sure to look us up! And remember: our 25TH is just a year away!

'78

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Hello All:

Feeling like you want to get away to somewhere warm?...run your toes across a white sandy beach??? Well, you are not alone! This winter has been brutal! By the time you read this article, the snow will have been long gone, the air will be filled with flowering trees, the grass will be green and your tulips should be showing off...IT JUST CAN'T GET HERE SOON ENOUGH!! Our winter in Greenland has been relatively quiet. We were able to squeak in a visit to Annie's family in Kansas City and this spring we plan on traveling back to the island Eleuthera. Our daughter Taber is still playing inside field hockey and has enjoyed great success. Hughes starts lacrosse practice returning as an attack man. Annie continues to play competitive tennis and I am tying flies in preparation of the upcoming saltwater striped bass season. I would like to thank all of you who have made the extra effort to contact me with your news. I very much appreciate it. For many of you who don't write.... let me offer a suggestion. After reading this article,... while its still fresh in your mind,... go to your computer and write me just a quick note. I would enjoy hearing from you.

On with the news: I heard from **Peter Hey**. He writes: "Dear Scott, Thanks for the letter! It warms my heart to hear familiar names. I

went to a GDA football game this fall. I caught the Lawrence Academy game. The Gavs looked good. The line could block very well and the 44 defense was strong. I am now a pastor at Christ United Methodist Church, Northampton, MA. I am completing my 18TH year of pastoral ministry. I am also an adjunct chaplain at Smith College, a role that allows me to participate in some very exciting programs dealing with religious themes in our time. I am also very involved in a church camp in Meredith, NH, Wanakee United Methodist Center. Not everyone is lucky enough to have his or her adolescent neurosis blossom into a life long vocation. I am also coaching my son, (Josh, 13) in football and my daughter, (Becca, nine) in basketball. Cathy and I will celebrate our 20TH Wedding Anniversary this coming year. Thanks for your work as class secretary. I am glad to know of the well being of others in our class and I am thankful that you pass along their words. As to whether I am meant to be a father in the church, I have to confess I have moved to the liberal side of the spectrum and would be more comfortable with a more inclusive term! I am content to be a pastor, to preach each week and to pray each day. Today, I give thanks for a legacy that lives and blooms in so many significant ways. Blessings, Peter." Thank you Peter for writing! It sounds like you have a perfect job doing what you have always meant to do...I am glad life is treating you well. Thank you for your kind words...I enjoy being secretary and staying involved with GDA.

**Peter Jenkins** writes: "I've been meaning to write for some time. Here's what I know so far...Kim Godfrey and I have been married for ten years and we have settled in Barrington, RI. We've got three kids, Hannah, Charlotte and Del. It is busy but we are having a blast. Hannah is playing girls' lax which I have enjoyed coaching. Kimmer and I both do consulting work from home. She focuses on kids and crime while I stick to minimally invasive medical technologies. In addition I own The Saltwater Edge (www.saltwateredge.com), a fly shop in Newport, RI. As you know, owning your own business presents numerous challenges and rewards. I invite classmates to stop by when they pass through Newport. I thank you for keeping us updated on one another's activities. This note should bring you current through 6:45 AM the day after Thanksgiving. Best, Jenks." Thanks for writing Peter and for making the time... all the best with your fly fishing shop! It sounds terrific! When I am down again in Barrington, I will look you up and make the



time to visit your fly shop...for purely selfish reasons of course! Thanks again Peter.

Once again I have heard from **Curt Metzger**! "Hey Scott: Just wanted to let you know I've left my reclusive cabin in Maine and joined the people now living in the real world! And I like it! From deep woods to computers and traffic... from squirrels to socialization (the squirrels never talked back anyway). I had a fantastic time at the 20-year reunion and hadn't realized how much I miss all you guys! And you all looked so young and happy! That was great to see. I got all my hair cut off, so 'Sorry Tad, I couldn't hold out any longer.' I never did receive a copy of the reunion picture and I'm anxious to see how it came out. Greg said he was going to put a suit coat and tie on me through some electronic magic. He had a little smirk on his face so I'm curious to see if he put me in a strapless dress or something. If so, I just hoped he picked out a color that brought out my eyes. I've never seen myself in drag, but I'm sure Greg has good taste in dressing women. If he put me in a negligee I'm gonna kill him. Hey, like I said, I miss you guys and just wanted to let you know I'm alive in south Florida. (Yes I voted—absentee because I was in Utah vacationing at the time). I was almost too embarrassed to come back. Take care, keep in touch, and the best to your wonderful family. P.S. if you happen to have a copy of the reunion picture, email it to me. Thanks." Curt: Thank you for your humor and wonderful letter! It sounds like you have made some exciting changes! Keep writing and let me know how things are going for you! I have passed on your email information to GDA and would like to have a mailing address when you have a chance. Take care.

As usual, I heard from **Andy Stephenson**: "My mother- and sister-in-law and my father were with us for Christmas this year. We hardly ever get them in the same place at the same time, so it was great for them to visit with us and with each other. The weather was cold and crisp and we got about four inches of snow on Christmas day. That allowed for a good fire in the wood stove and some brisk afternoon walks. The day was great. Beck and I find ourselves in much the same place as we were last year. Jobs are going fine: she's at Mount Desert Island High School and I am at Pemetic School in Southwest Harbor. Lyle is in the second grade here in Ellsworth and Nate is at the Harbor House Daycare in Southwest Harbor, very near to me. We remain active in our church, the First Congre-

gational Church of Ellsworth, and any spare time we have seems to go into our garden or a quick fishing or camping trip. As you may know, we bought some land last spring and hope to build on it in about two years. It is a beautiful four-acre piece on the Union River Bay here in Ellsworth. Over the past eight months or so, Beck and I have been reading all we can on house designs so we can build a comfortable, functional home. We want a place where we can invite family and friends to join us and to stay comfortably. Obviously, we are really excited and hope that we can share what we'll have with our friends and family." Andy: This fly fishing season is "our" year to meet! If we must...we will split the five hours of travel and meet in the middle! Thank you for writing. It is ALWAYS appreciated!

Hey Scott! After years of ribbing **Leslie Russell Lafond** about not writing me... she caught me off guard and emailed me!?!?! YES!!! "Dear Scott, OK you shamed me into writing! Nice letter by the way. Things at the Lafond household are crazy as usual. Meaghan (14) played field hockey this fall and had a great undefeated season! On to high school next year (are we really this old!?!?!). She is very active in school, president of the Student Council, peer mediation, yearbook committee, drama club and she still finds time to pick on her little brother and drive her mother to drink (OK, so I just use it as a good excuse!) She really is a great kid. I'm very lucky. Bryan (eight) played flag football this fall and had a blast! He loves anything outdoors and is the apple of my eye! Michael is still with the New Hampshire Liquor Commission and just finished a very busy season. My real estate title business is going great! With interest rates what they are I expect to be very busy in the coming months. Kids and I are off to Bermuda for April vacation and plan on skiing a lot this winter. Hope everyone is healthy and happy and would love to hear from everyone. Lafond@concentric.net." THANK YOU LESLIE... it was like pulling teeth girl...but you did it...and it is most appreciated. For all of you who don't know what Leslie does, she researches land ownership records for clients. Should you want to know who owns a parcel of property in New Hampshire, she can find it for you. For anyone buying or selling a house, she does the research for the attorneys involved in the transaction. She is incredibly proficient at her job and I invite you to use her services when the opportunity presents itself.

I heard briefly from **Phil Graham**: "Greetings, everyone! Please be advised that my email address has changed to philipgraham@adelphia.net. This change is effective immediately. My old email address will not function after Jan. 31st. Thank you, and many blessed years during this festal time of Our Savior's Nativity and Theophany." Thanks for the email update!

I heard from our overseas business mogul... **Peter Feith**. He has become a Czech resident of late and is creating some exciting business abroad. "Hi Scott, I started CDI (City Design International) with a Czech-born, U.S. citizen, named Otto. We set up a real estate limited liability company, based in Massachusetts, investing in Prague and Budapest property market. So for now it's Prague until this thing is launched and funds pour in, then maybe back to Singapore. Problem is I rented that apartment to a guy from China, but without permission he brought in twenty relatives (600 sq. ft. apt). Regards, Peter Feith mobile 420 723 475 407; office 420 2 5731 1074." Thanks for writing Peter, keep the emails coming.

**Andrew Bendetson** quickly wrote: "Dear family, friends and associates: please be advised of my new email address: abendetson@merchantfinancial.net. Andrew P. Bendetson, President Merchant Financial Investment Corporation, 209 West Central Street, Natick, MA 01760 TEL. (508) 655-3366 FAX. (508) 655-7733."

Attorney **Thomas H. Driscoll, Jr.** was elected this fall to the office of Clerk of Courts for Essex County. This fulltime position oversees the daily operation of the three Superior Courts in Essex County, MA located in Salem, Lawrence and Newburyport. Driscoll, a lifelong Democrat, beat out a field of six candidates for the six year term. He is to be sworn in to office on January 3, 2001. His election marks the first time in history a Swampscott resident has been elected to a countywide position. Tom previously served as a selectman in Swampscott and is a former Essex County Assistant District Attorney. Driscoll has been engaged in the private practice of law since 1993. Tom and his wife, Tara have two sons, Thomas, age seven and Robert, age four.

We were sad to learn that **John 'Skip' W. Hosner's** father died in December after suffering injuries in an automobile accident.

Well, that does it for me. Thanks to everyone who wrote and enjoy the beautiful spring!





Mike Reilly, Keller Laros and Dave Brown all class of 1981 in Kona, Hawaii this past winter.

'79

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opened a children's clothing store in Hollywood, by the name of "Lost & Found." She is still occasionally doing costume design in the film industry.

'80

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Howdy from the wilds of Londonderry, NH!!! My kids, Charles 13, Christopher 11, and Elizabeth, eight and I bought our first house last summer. We are settling into the new routines nicely.

Things are also going great for **Charlie "Kibby" Atkinson**; he and his wife are the proud parents of twin daughters, Sydney and Lindsay born last July 8TH.

It has also been a busy year in the **John Wise** household. His wife Julie finished her Physician Assistant degree and has accepted a position in Brunswick, ME. John is still a stay-at-home dad with Jack, ten and Ellen Grace, seven. He is substitute teaching, vice president of the PTA and coaching his son's hockey team. He has also had some contact with **Greg Moore** and **Shep Sutton** who he thinks has headed to L.A. to seek fame and fortune. They also have dinner with the Staffords a couple of times a year. John can be reached at johnnyw@aol.com.

Now on to the women. **Emily Woolf Economou** and her husband John welcomed a baby boy, Jared Woolf Economou on October 17TH, joining his 20-month-old brother Robie. Emily is trying the stay-at-home mom gig for a while.

**Jamie Rosenthal** is still in Los Angeles with her son Bennett, almost six. She has added to her wholesale company and has

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## 20TH CLASS REUNION

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**Laurie Krooss** writes:

Dear Friends,

I hope that 2001 is off to a fine start for you and for your families. I wanted to update you on where I am, what I am doing and what I hope to do. This is in response to the many lovely notes and cards I got from so many of you around Christmas, which is, I realize, the more traditional time for this type of general information letter. However, if you were one of my DEAR FRIENDS who did NOT send me a card or note—it's not too late! I'll accept ANY FORM of communication (not to mention GIFTS) far, far, far into 2001. Here are some common questions, which I will seek to answer.

#1 Laurie, where are you? Today is Sunday, February 25, 2001 and I am still here in Georgia volunteering with an organization called Jubilee Partners. I will be here AT LEAST until the end of March, possibly longer. I will be here until I find the right 'match' of a church. (See question #2).

#2 What about a church? Well now, THAT is an excellent question. What about a church. Since September I have been circu-

lating my profile, (a packet of information about myself), to UCC churches who are seeking a minister. It's a bit like a dating service. They look at your information, you look at theirs. Then, if you think each other looks good on paper you have a conversation. (The dating equivalent of having coffee). In my case this nearly always happens on the phone (me on one end, the search committee on the other) because the churches I am interested in are mostly in New England and as we established in the previous question, I'm in Georgia.

After this initial conversation, if you and the church are still interested, you go to the next step. (The dating equivalent of having dinner). This involves getting on a plane (that would be ME getting on the plane) and flying somewhere (usually somewhere much colder than Georgia) and preaching and having more conversation.

#3 Wow. That sounds tiring. (Okay, so that isn't a question.) Well, it is! And did I mention that I am a full-time volunteer while I am in this job search? So, yes, it's tiring and I will be SO GLAD when it's over. There are many UCC churches searching for pastors so I hope and pray that I will find one that will be a good use of my gifts and a place that will challenge me and help me to continue to grow spiritually. I have had MANY phone interviews and several face-to-face interviews. Yet, as we've established, I'm still in Georgia. Your thoughts and prayers for my search process would be really welcome.

#4 How are you? I'm good. I love it at Jubilee. I love teaching the refugees English, I love learning about their countries and cultures and coming to count some of them as my friends. The refugees I have come to know are from Africa: Liberia, Togo, Ethiopia, Sudan, Somalia, Congo-Kinshasa, Mauritania and Seychelles. I love living in community. Through the use of chemicals (horribly toxic ones, I'm sure) we got rid of the roaches that plagued me upon first arriving here, so that's been good. The community is supportive of my search process and I am welcome to continue to live here and be a volunteer here until I move on to where I'll be next. (Which is a great thing).

#5 If you like it so much at Jubilee, why don't you stay? Not now. It would be too hard for me, as a single person, to live at Jubilee. (It is a very family oriented place). Also, volunteering means just that: Volunteering. So, there are some financial considerations. Besides! There is a piece of me that is curious to know what it will be like as a sole pastor of a church.



#6 How's your family? Good thanks. Debbie and her husband Gary have three girls, Julia is eight, Diana is six and Maria is three. One of the good things about my search process is getting to see them frequently when I fly north for interviews. I also saw them for five days at Christmas. I adore them. My dad and stepmother, Joan, live in NJ. My mom and stepfather, Don, spend the winters in Florida (I drove down to see them over Christmas) and the summers in NH in their condo in Portsmouth.

#7 Your work at Jubilee sounds so interesting, can I come visit? YES, YES, YES! I'd love to have my friends come to this place which has come to mean so much to me. Come before the end of March.

#8 Did you come up with this cheesy idea of questions and answers in your Christmas/February 25TH letter all by yourself, or is this a Southern thing? No, this was all me. Thanks for reading it all the way to the end.

I am holding you in my heart and wishing you peace, love and God's grace for 2001.

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Excitement is building for our 20TH Reunion! **Mike Reilly** and I have been emailing, along with **Eric Adell**, **Lisa Loudon**, **Dan Cooke** and **Vinca Weatherly**, planning for the weekend and rallying as many classmates as we can to join the celebration, and also to support GDA through the Annual Fund. Our percentage of class participation in the Annual Fund was strong last year, but we would love to see it truly reflect the unity of our class and the quality of our GDA experience. With that in mind, if you have not yet made a contribution to the Annual Fund, I hope you will consider doing so. I received quite a few postcards from everyone and want to thank Sandy Keyes and the Development Office for sending out a letter to you on my behalf. All is well for the Steward family though this winter has been a nightmare for illness. My nine-year-old daughter loves her new school and continues to strive toward a career in veterinary medicine—yes; she is adamant about this and has been so for a few years now! Our menagerie continues to grow as a result. One child, many pets! If anyone is interested in adopting a guinea pig call Abby!

**Eric Adell** reported that things are great in Amesbury. "Kids are getting smarter so our job is tougher. I see Red, Brandli and Breed a lot—they all seem well. Went to an Alum Hockey game—nice time. Can't wait

for 20TH. See you then!"

**Molly Andrew Williamson** is also looking forward to Reunion. She writes, "All is great. My four-year-old Lucy May is busy with books, ballet, school and swimming. We have moved to my great-grandfather's cottage. (New address: 1 Adams Ave. Gloucester, MA 01930) Lucy is the fifth generation living here. I can't wait to see **Abby (Locke) Castle**. She has been the best corresponding roommate ever!"

**Ivan Arguello** emailed with an update. "I am living in Tenaflly, NJ with my wife Mary and my two children, Alexander, 11 and little Ivan, seven. I am looking forward to seeing everyone in June."

**Paul Carter** also sent me a nice email. "I don't know if you remember me.... (We do, Paul!) I was a commuter... played football, basketball, and baseball... hung out with the quieter crowd... and really loved my days at GDA. Anyway, I'd love people to know that I am currently working at Exeter Hospital in Exeter, NH as a Systems Analyst and trainer. I'm also teaching for the State University System. Since GDA, I graduated with a Bachelor's in Education and a master's in Computers in Education. I've been married for five years (Diane) and have a great 16-year-old stepson (Bill). We built a house and live in Derry, NH. I've not been in touch with anyone from the class of '81, but would love to hear from anyone and everyone. My email address is pcarter@mountain.mv.com. Again, just touching base to say hello and to thank you for your updates to the *Archon*. I really enjoy hearing what people are doing." Thank you, Paul!

**David Critics** is happy to be stationed on this continent after many years abroad. He writes from Canada, "Looking forward to the Class Reunion—has it really been 20 years! The current job with the Canadian army gives a new meaning to 'doing more with less' as they daily 'do much with nothing'. Angela, Rebecca and Daniel have all taken well to the great white north. They skate better than I do and have taken quite naturally to snowshoeing and cross country skiing."

**Antea von Henneberg** sent word from San Francisco. "Trying to make it back to 'the right coast' for Reunion! My only conflicts are the swim to Alcatraz and our new baby boy. Ford Hopkins Middleton was born on October 9TH. He's a great guy and we love watching him grow up. Saw **Kathryn O'Leary** at Christmas while visiting parental units in Cambridge. All is well!"

**Cynthia (Pfeiffer) Horner** also has a new addition to her family. "Our news is the arrival of our beautiful daughter Nicole Elizabeth Horner, born 11-9-00. She's the delight of our lives! I am taking some time off from my practice to be with her, but will return for two days a week in the spring. We'll try to be at Reunion!"

**Michael Reilly**, in addition to his great work as our class agent—thank you, Mike!—continues to be busy in the road construction business in western Massachusetts. He and his wife Diane are the proud, though probably not very well rested, parents of two sons—Colin, 20 months and Christopher, five months. Mike is a definite for Reunion as well.

**Jennifer Malamud Schaeffner** writes that, "Life is hectic: two children Max (age four) and Ilse (age two) and husband Bob are all well. I am working for Fleet Boston Financial in the brokerage area. I job share with another working mom splitting the work week 50/50. So far it's working great! I get to have a career and be home with my kids two and a half days a week. Hope all is well with everyone."

**Benay Todzo** writes, "We're thinking about coming to Reunion this year. I'm sure my husband, Mark, and three kids, Quinn (four), Miles (two), and Blake (six months) can't wait for me to drag them all around GDA's campus. It would be fun to see old friends. I hope a lot of you are planning on going too. See you in June?"

**Vinca Weatherly** is also looking forward to Reunion. She writes that "daughter Julianna is 13 and son Christopher is nine—can't believe it!" She also got me laughing with the realization that Reunion may motivate her to get in shape—I can relate! Don't panic Vinc, we have a few months! I too am bonding with the Nordic Track! As always it was fun to hear from so many classmates. The weekend of June 8TH-10TH should be wonderful. Be sure to visit [gda.org](http://gda.org) for online details about Reunion, or you can email me at [jgsteward@mediaone.net](mailto:jgsteward@mediaone.net). Perhaps the reason why it remains so hard for us to believe that 20 years have passed is the vivid quality of the friendships we built during our years at GDA. I for one am so looking forward to revisiting the spirit and fun of the experiences we shared way back in 1981. See you in June!



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**Nancy Wickwire:** "Well hello everyone. Let's start with my news: there really is none, except that I will probably require some intensive therapy for the carpal tunnel syndrome that I will no doubt be suffering when I get done typing all these notes! Not that I am complaining. It's always good to hear from you. As always: my email address is anwick@worldnet.att.net and that's the best way to send notes. Also: I had an email address for **Marc Rasbury**, which is no longer working. So Raz, when you read this, please send me your new email address. Also, **Demetri Valhoulis**, I had your email address but seem to have inadvertently deleted it so, please send it to me again. And **Michelle (Montrone) Cogan** and **Claire (Dober) Danaher**: if either of you currently have email addresses, please send them because I no longer have them. Finally, I have compiled a directory of all the class of 82 email addresses and recently sent it to every name on the list. SO if you have an email address, and you did not receive my recent email, then please send in your address to be added to the directory, or check on email directory on line at [www.gda.org](http://www.gda.org).

**Phil Parry** has the distinction of being the only class member who sent his notes in on that postcard. "Just a quick note, FYI. Still living in Merrimac, MA and practicing law (primarily real estate and estates). My office is in the center of Merrimac and I am doing very well. Wife Denise and children Stephanie (14), Emily (seven), Charles (five) and Phillip (three) are also well. I run into **Peter Riley '83** regularly (he has a law practice in Seabrook) and had an occasion to speak to **Jerry Sweeney** recently (he practices law in Providence, RI). I plan on attending Reunion 2002 and hope to see many classmates and friends. Take care!"

**Matt Teborek:** An *Archon* "First Timer." "I think this may be the first time since graduation that I have responded for class notes. Sad I know. After graduating from the School of Hotel Administration at Cornell in December 87, I worked in Manhattan for seven years at the Hotel Carlyle as Assistant F&B Director and Assistant Executive Manager. I returned to New Hampshire in October '94 and joined Newmarket International Inc. Newmarket delivers software solutions for

hospitality sales and marketing. During the five and a half years with Newmarket I was a training manager, technical support rep., interface manager and sales manager. In December '00 I joined Hilton Hotels Corp. at the corporate office in Beverly Hills as the Director of Revenue Management Systems and am living in Santa Monica, CA. If there are any grads out in the west coast or ones traveling to Los Angeles I would love to meet up with them. Best regards."

**Robin (Fasciano) Gianis:** "I am keeping busy making art, particularly ceramics. In this past year I have inherited an enormous kiln from my landlord when I bought the house from him. He was one of the original abstract expressionists who settled in the Hamptons years ago. I have mastered the potter's wheel and am now teaching students myself. I have an herbal soap business and can barely cut and wrap them before they are sold, especially during the holiday season. Anyone interested in luscious, super rich herbal soap? My email address is Ehlsoap@aol.com. I can mail you a brochure. Finally, I have just finished the New York state certification process for teaching art in public schools, grades K-12, and I am looking for a full-time position. Phoebe is already five and a half and in kindergarten!"

**Alison (Miller) Montague:** and baby makes five! Alison and Dave welcomed their third child (and first daughter) during the first week of February. Her name is Sophie and she joins Gabriel (five and a half) and Alex (three and a half).

**Trina Chiara:** By the time the *Archon* gets distributed, Trina will no longer be pregnant, but her email says: "Richard and I are doing well... waiting for March 25, due date for our first little girl! We're very excited. We are finally getting our home together after buying it a year ago and doing lots of renovations. Geez, very different to live in a house after all those years in a Manhattan apartment. No super to call to fix things! We are looking forward to the 20TH and hoping EVERYONE attends. The Winter *Archon* notes were fun to read with so many people responding. Where is **Jenny Hayes**???"

**Bonnie Perkins Mombello:** Might also be the first time we've heard from Bonnie (see, this email thing is really great). She writes "Living in Newburyport. Keeping busy with a few jobs and a few kids. (Nicholas, five, Olivia, three and William, three). Working full-time with Alden Merrell (now a division of Heinz) and teaching Group Fitness Classes at a nearby gym. I have recently become a certified personal trainer.

And I'm always looking for new clients."

**Will Friend** sent an email in November: "Last Saturday my dad (**Bill Friend '55**) and I took my kids (Emily, five and a half and William, 15 months) up to GDA to watch a football game vs. St. Sebastian's—a 28–19 GDA victory. We wandered around and checked out the campus and all my old dorms. Emily already thought it was pretty cool to visit Dad's and Bumpa's (my dad) high school and when she realized that we actually slept and lived at the school... well, she's already decided which dorm she's going to live in. Needless to say, any money I ever contribute to the school will go to the removal of the Pierce Hall fire escape. William spent most of the afternoon tumbling down the football field bowl and chasing leaves onto the field. We ran into Mike Moonves and Dick Leavitt (all of his hair is white now). All in all it was a great day. The campus looks great with all the new buildings and fields and the foliage (funny I don't ever remember noticing the foliage while we were there) was spectacular."

**John Nye:** "Here's my scoop. I am the Senior Vice President and Director of American Furniture and Decorative Arts at Sothebys. Kathy and I have two kids, Tupper is eight, Hannah is three and with another due in early March. We plan on attending the reunion. Can't believe it's the 20TH already!"

**Chuck Yerkes:** "Me? Not much to report. The.com is still here and not.gone. Remembering snow from pictures. Hanging out, riding the motorcycle year round, skiing some and loving the west!"

**Bobby Low:** All we ever hear from Bob is how his teams are doing at Holderness. He wrote "Do you think the *Archon* would print a picture of my soccer team in the next issue? We won the New England Prep Championship this year!!" I emailed Bob that I was sure the *Archon* would print the photo and to send it straight to the development office, or to me. It didn't come to me, so Bob I hope you sent it straight to GDA! And I just think you should know that as I am typing these notes, the Stones "Some Girls" cd is playing in the background. Definitely class of '82 music.

Whoa out of the blue: **John Parker** sent me an email in January. "Saw my name in the *Archon*, and was flattered by the inquiry. Contrary to the past info I am living in North Carolina, not South. I wasn't a mercenary with the C.I.A. I did put on one of those questionnaires they send us to find out how much dough we are raking in. I did it as a goof, I never dreamed they would take it seriously. I have received GDA stuff ever since I left, and



I don't know how they do it but every time I move, they find out my new address. Since GDA, I have lived in Louisiana, California, and now North Carolina and GDA has tracked me down. It's not like I have contributed any money, and there is a good reason to find me. I do enjoy the mailings, and keeping up with all the great folks from GDA. Quick bio: married 10 years in April (together 14 in Feb. First date: Feb 12, 1987) to Suzanne. She's never been to New England, so we will seriously consider making the trip up for the 20th. We have two daughters, Cameron Elizabeth (three and a half) and Tess Marie (turns one year in two days, WOOO PARTY!!!). My wife and children are why I rise in the morning. I work for Kinko's (yes, the copy place) in the distribution center in Greensboro. I also own and operate a small (but growing every year) lawn and landscape service, and am currently studying to get my general contractors license. As we all know (since most of us have kids, jobs, etc) life is busy. The kids make it gratifying, the jobs make it possible. It sounds hokey but I'm just down here in one of America's true cultural and sociological vacuums, trying to make a life for my family. Am I applying one iota of the stuff I learned at GDA to my life right now? Not hardly, however the relationships that were forged during my time in Byfield will always be with me. Especially the kiss we shared on the GDA stage, Nancy (wink). My best to everyone from GDA and thanks for thinking about me." Thanks for reminding me of that very public instance of on-stage mortification, JP. Mr. Rowe, I hope you are reading this and having a chuckle!

**John Egan:** Short and sweet: "My wife and I had our third child, Matthew Randolph on 11/16/00."

Another blast from the past, **Brice Massey:** he emailed in January. "Maybe you remember Brice Massey?? It has been a long time and I have not been very diligent in staying in contact with the GDA community. News from me? Happily married with two children (Kyn-dal, four and Alden, one) and recently moved from Phoenix to Seattle. Working for Oracle and spend as much time in Europe as I do in the U.S. **Chris Perrault** and I got together for a hiking adventure in the Grand Canyon last summer. Great seeing him again after so long. I have yet to take the family back east but hope to this summer. GDA will definitely be a stop in our tour. Best regards."

**Ted Larned:** "No life-changing news from Grand Rapids. We had record setting snow in

December. So I spent many hours shoveling until I finally gave in and got a snow blower. Of course, since then, we have had no snow. Terry, my wife, has made the transition from eighth grade English teacher to middle school guidance counselor. She is loving the change and could not be better suited for the job. The kids love her. Herman Miller continues to be a great place to work. Anybody watch "Will & Grace?" They showcased our "Aeron Chair" during one of the episodes. I provide consulting services to Herman Miller suppliers and am learning/teaching the Toyota Production System. Many challenges arise when companies change the way they do business and I really enjoy being able to help them succeed. Due to both our job changes, Terry and I are working on moving to Grand Haven, a small beach town right on Lake Michigan. The move would take us close to Terry's school as well as many of the activities that we enjoy (hiking, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, beach activities, etc). With any luck we will relocate before spring. I'm glad to get the news of everyone's adventures. Please send my best wishes to everyone. Even though I don't write much I do love to hear what's happening with the special group of people that made up the Class of '82."

**Kim Newby:** Back in the USA! "I have returned home after having lived in Asia, off and on, for over 10 years. It is great to be in Boston. I am working as an attorney in a law firm, and, as in Hong Kong, my practice is focused on technical and intellectual property-related projects. Would love to hook up with classmates in Boston! My email is Knewby@Skadden.com."

**Andrew Fredrick:** "Just an update on me for the interested. I am living in Idaho still, but now am working for myself doing Internet marketing consulting. Which means I help people with their websites and try to get the website to do what it was originally intended to do—whether it was to sell things or distribute information or whatever. The business is moderately successful. (I have a few subs gainfully employed and am looking for more) but any referrals are always appreciated. Life in Idaho moves at a slower pace than in Massachusetts, but it is nice and relaxing. If you should find yourself in beautiful Boise, look me up." Here's the question though: did you ever succeed in getting your fishing license??"

**Jane (Boisvert) Burns** had her beautiful daughter, Gillian Marcell Burns. "Mother-

hood is great, so great in fact that I have decided to be a full time mom. I'll be hanging at the "Y" and by the pool all summer, learning my ABC's and counting to ten. When I get a new email address I'll send it in."

**Barbara Mackay-Smith:** "I'm enjoying life on the left coast, marriage, motherhood and... most recently... work, again. Just flying day trips so I can tuck the little bug into bed, but I'm hoping she'll be sleeping through the night again soon so I can work those Hawaii layovers. Two questions: where did the Mulligans work in California and where are they now? And, has anyone heard from **Annabelle** and **Elizabeth Wells**?"

**Sloan Tyler** reports: "We are departing Alaska this summer and will miss it. We have enjoyed the three years here and most certainly plan to return. Jim recently received orders to Headquarters—so we are off to the Washington DC area this July. We plan a leisurely ferry ride from Kodiak through the inner passage to Bellingham, Washington and then a cross country trip through California (Disney and redwoods) past the Grand Canyon and then eastward ho! Our new baby girl is expected in June so it ought to be an exciting summer. (OK, so maybe we are a bit crazy and will have to scratch the drive and fly to the east coast...) Madison and Graham are doing great. Madison will be going into the second grade and has all the pre-pubescent behaviors of a child beyond her years. We sometimes think she is an 18-year-old in a six-year-old body. Graham had his first birthday a few days ago. He started walking a few months ago and has been very excited about his ability to reach a few inches higher. (Course that means I have nothing on any shelves below my waist.) It has been an interesting tour for me as the base legal officer—I have enjoyed it but am looking forward to trading the rigors of full time legal work for full time motherhood. The latter being the more stressful of the two, but certainly more personally rewarding. I suppose that's all the news that's fit to print... I'll pass on our new email sometime in July or August."

**Bill Dee** has moved his family to Newburyport, MA, and is working for a law firm in Boston. Bill and his wife have a son, Trevor, born in October '99; he keeps them hopping. Bill's email address is wdee@EALAW.com.

That's it for notes this time around. You'll all be getting another letter from me next August or so. In the meantime, send me your email address!!!! I'll add you to the directory and send it around again. Cheers!



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**W. Drew Hoffman** is still residing in Marblehead with his wife Kate, two daughters Alex and Sydney, and new son, Cameron, as of April 2000. Brother **David** and his wife Kathy are expecting their first baby early February 2001. Work is going well and he is now general manager of AK Media Boston. **Kevin Cryts** says, "Nothing new going on with me. My kids are five (Collan) and three (Abby) and I am still on the MBTA Police K-9 unit. I am hoping to attend and play the alumni hockey game in January. Hope to see you there!"

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Hello! I have so much wonderful news to report.

Congratulations to **Melissa Fannon Fiorillo** on the arrival of Olivia Caroline on October 2, 2000. Olivia joins older sister Miranda who is now two? and reportedly a big help to her folks! I'm glad to hear you are through the sleep deprivation stages!

**Mike Graf** and his wife Aileen recently celebrated the arrival of Madeline Crewe on October 18, 2000. Madeline joins her big sister Charlotte, who is now two. Mike lives in Newburyport and he and Aileen, whom he met at architectural school, have opened their own office there, Graf Design Associates. Their concentration is residential design. Congratulations and good luck! Mike sends a "hello to everyone" and reports that he recently saw **Betsy Tuthill Farrell** at the Inn Street playground—apparently a major meeting place in Newburyport. Betsy's family also grew last year. She and husband Tom welcomed the arrival of Matthew Celi on June 30, 2000. Matthew joins older siblings Patrick (four?) and Maggie (one?). Enjoy seeing **Liz (Kimball) Williams, Kristen (MacKenzie) Pollard** and awaiting **Amea (Walsh) Shades's** return to the east coast! Congratulations Betsy!

**Greg Thompson** got married on June 17TH to Kathryn Hadden, a middle school teacher and a Georgia native. **Mike DiModica, Bill King** and **Stephan Marculewicz** were in attendance. Greg just started a new job in January as director of sales for a Texas-

based consulting firm, Domain Logix. Congratulations and good luck Greg! Mike, Bill and Stephan—send me some news!

**Charlie Cashin** and his wife Kathleen have moved back to Alaska after spending one? year in Los Angeles. Charlie has a new job there as Commanding Officer of their cutter in Homer. Charlie writes, "The summers here are great. If anyone is taking the Great Alaskan Tour they should stop by—907-235-4761."

**Dan Nye** writes to say "hello to everyone." He is married, living in San Francisco and working in Silicon Valley.

**Hank Friedman** is still in Taos. He has started another subdivision and is in his sixth year of coaching soccer and refereeing lacrosse. He recently worked the Division II, Rocky Mountain Intercollegiate Lacrosse League Championship game. Hank writes, "Howdy to all!"

**Jim Lancaster** finished his residency in anesthesiology at Dartmouth in February 2000. He also presented at a conference in Hawaii on Pediatric Sedation. Jim lived in the mountains of Vermont from February to May and skied over 100 days, including a two-week trip to Utah! Jim has since moved to Farmington, ME, bought his first house and started his first practice in a small hospital there. Congratulations and good luck Jim!

Congratulations to **Mariel Hagan** and her husband Todd who welcomed their first child last year. Duncan Jasper Weinman arrived September 24, 2000. Mariel wrote in January, "we are definitely enjoying parenthood now that we are getting some sleep." I think you have a lot of sympathizers from our class these days! Mariel works in Human Resources at PricewaterhouseCoopers. They moved to northern New Jersey a couple years ago after five years in Buffalo. They are enjoying the area and are happy to be closer to their families.

**Harry Taormina** is still in Virginia and writes, "Life is good. Business is booming." He sends his best to all!

**Aimee Walsh Schade** and her family have returned to the east coast after 11 years in California. Aimee and husband H.A. just welcomed their third child, Carter, ten weeks (in Jan. 2001). Carter joins Julia, three and Tyler, two. Aimee and H.A. just finished building their new home in Amherst, NH and are "wondering how we will survive the remaining cold winter months!" You sure picked a cold snowy one to return! Aimee writes, "We are thrilled about the move and looking forward to enjoying the seasons as a family." Welcome back... and congratulations!

As for the Scerbo household, we are doing well. We recently built and moved into a new house in Stratham, NH. It is in a wonderful neighborhood and we have two wooded acres of our very own. The boys are all doing well. Sean started first grade in September and is enjoying it quite a bit. Drew has taken a liking to basketball this winter and frequently sneaks down at night after bedtime to watch with Dan. Ryan is doing exceptionally well these days. We finally had to have tubes put into his ears last May, due to hearing problems. The transformation in his communication and to some extent his personality was amazing. My job continues to go well. I am an I/S Manager at Liberty Mutual, still managing system development and a growing staff. I am no longer able to go to work to get some rest anymore, as my office life is almost as chaotic as my home life. But I am thoroughly enjoying myself. My best to all of you and your families. Thanks for all the great news!

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15TH CLASS REUNION  
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**Kimberly Mooney** has her MD degree from Dartmouth Medical Ophthalmologist, and is specializing in pediatrics at Eye Health in Dartmouth, MA. She is married to Thomas McNulty, and has two boys: Andrew (two) and Griffin (one).

**Patrick McCullom** reports: "I hope all is well with you. My wife Sandra and I just had our second child—Madeleine—recently. A few months back we attended **Jason Katsapetses's** wedding in Boston. It was a great event. I currently live in South Glastonbury, CT."

**Mosa Kaleel** says: "Calvin turned one in November. Nancy and I bought a house in



Sherman Oaks, CA and I'm working at Warner Bros. TV animation. I hope everyone is doing well. (Wow, it's been 15 years!!)"

**Eric Krukonis** reports: "Susan and I are settling in for a long winter out here in Ann Arbor, Michigan. We've already had two feet of snow. You may be happy to hear I found an orchestra to play in out here, so I've begun playing trumpet again (took a couple years off). It looks like we'll be here for a while so give us a call if you're stopping through. Ann Arbor is a great little city. I see **Mosa Kaleel** once in a while since his wife Nancy is from Michigan and they now have a cute little guy Calvin. I also visited **Cressler Heasley** and his wife Sydney in Baltimore and they have an adorable son Sam. No kids yet here, but they're in the plans."

**Karen Rybicki McCann** says: "I had an exciting few months with the purchase of a new home in East Greenwich, RI and the birth of my second daughter, Niamh (pronounced Neave), on October 29, at 8 lbs. 2 oz., 18 in. long. I am enjoying my two daughters very much! (Nora will be three years old in February) and am still designing jewelry. Hi to all the old gang!"

**Kim Carey Rochford** says: "It's been an exciting year for us with the birth of Kyle in February. We had a terrific first Christmas with him. I'm looking forward to visiting **Hedi (Dur) Charde** and her new baby Aidan, born just before Christmas. Happy New Year to you all. Hope to see you at our 15TH year Reunion."

# '87

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**Jennifer Todd** was married to John Holko in the Moseley Chapel on October 21, 2000. That Saturday was a perfect Indian Summer day, sunny and in the 70s. The fall foliage was at its peak and the campus was spectacular. Jennifer's classmates **Amy Mack** and **Kristin Kobialka** were bridesmaids. Her brother, **Michael Todd '89** was an usher. Classmate **John Brennan** also attended the wedding.

**Shawn Reeves** is a high school teacher at the Coalition School for Social Change in New York City.

# '88

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Hi everyone,

I would like to tell you that I have just received my first death threat as our class secretary. Hopefully not a function of his education, our friend **Chris D'Orio** signed his name to the nasty letter and it was as follows: "You're dead! I just got my copy of the *Archon*. Dana (who is great and definitely an over-achievement for Chris) thought that it was awesome. I promise to stay in touch. Dana, Alec, and I are doing well. (Alec Christian D'Orio was born on October 16TH, 2000) We think that you will do a great job as class rep because of your enthusiasm. The kids' picture was very cute...they look like Rick! Yeah right. I was not sure if I was looking at a picture of the Boyages girls or of the Corliones (from 'The Godfather'). Congratulations to all who got married and had kids. **Andy Noels**, father sent me a picture of his son. He looks terrific. **John Khantzian's** girl [Jenna] is wonderful. I promise to send you a picture of Alec for mass publication. I already told Moon that I hope he can be of the class of '17, '18, or '19. Be well and I'll talk to you soon." I would like to add that Chris is already planning on Alec taking three extra years to graduate from GDA, which will definitely help the Capital Campaign!!!!!! John Khantzian is really enjoying fatherhood and says that he thinks that Jenna is really beginning to know who her father is.

I have also been in touch with **Bill Karger** who is close by in Washington DC. We are hoping to get together sometime so that I can meet his NEW BABY GIRL!! Bill and Stacy had Taylor Emma Karger on October 12, 2000. He writes: "Long time. My fault. My life has been pretty crazy recently. Switched jobs, had a baby and now I have to sit for the Virginia State Bar Exam in February. I work a lot, study a lot and sleep very little. Taylor weighed in at six pounds nine ounces and 21 inches long. Stacy and Taylor are doing great." Bill, like every empathetic father, gained some sympathy weight and has yet to shed the extra pounds. When I get to see them I will be sure to write more.

Speaking of long lost friends: **Dr. Todd O'Brien** has resurfaced and writes, "All is well with me. I am still working away as a res-

ident in orthopedic surgery at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester. I am getting married to Brittanny Boulanger in September. [We all met her at reunion]. She is a resident in pediatrics at Strong also. (I definitely need her expertise from time to time. Too bad you are so far away. Lucky for you actually!)" When I emailed him about **Bill Karger** he added, "I am sorry about the disappearance. Karger has a baby, life does move fast!" It was at our tenth reunion that Bill promised no kids for awhile. Todd remembers too. This *Archon* brings us updates from those that are a bit sporadic with their news.

I was so happy to hear from **Nancy Hough**!!!! (Sssssilly Sssssidewinder) She writes "Long time! Things are swell with me. Working as a mental health therapist in a day treatment program for several kids and families (K-6). It's a colorful challenge. Living in Colorado, playing in the hills with my two dogs, a husky and miniature dachshund. My partner, Andrea and I are living together and having a blast. Kids? Maybe?" I can just imagine how great it must be hiking in Colorado with you guys. If you want some practice with kids Nanc, have I got an offer for you and Andrea!!! Babysitting? Definitely!!

Adding to our list of the newly accounted for, **JB Burgess** writes, "I've been terrible about keeping in touch with friends from GDA. I occasionally run into **Jim Sullivan** at the golf course. (shocking) I have had an exciting 2000. I was married in June to my beautiful wife Suzanne. We went to Hawaii for two weeks on our honeymoon. I'm still with Fidelity Investments (eight years) and have the responsibility for Program and Internet sales promotion."

I also heard from **Damon Kinzie**: "I am still in Burlington, VT. I have been working for Edward Jones for six years and I am now a partner. I am starting the building of a new house in Hinesburg (lots of details). I talk with **Brendan O'Brien**, **Jason McLoy '89** and **Kara Moheban McLoy**. They are great. If anyone is in the Burlington, VT area give me a call."

**Arvid Swanson** is also doing well. "I got a new job, as the New England Sales Rep for Volkl Snowboards. This is the best decision I could have ever made. My job is fantastic! Also, my wife and two and a half-year-old daughter are fantastic as well."

**Brendan O'Brien**, please send some info as some of us have specifically asked about your whereabouts. Damon, please rat him out to all of us next card.



**Charity Lombardi Simard** writes, "Here's a quick one for you. 2000 brought a big year for me—new home, new husband, new puppy. Same job, however. Marcom Manager, Hasbro Interactive... soon to be Infogames Entertainment. Hopefully 2001 will be as exciting. Hope all is well."

I was also so surprised to hear from our last two classmates, as we really haven't heard from them in ages. **Mark Edwards** is doing well. "Just wanted to thank you for your excellent effort regarding the last *Archon*. I do not recall a time when I saw so much activity under the '88 heading. As for me, I am currently living in Upstate NY (Greenwich). I have been married for five years, my wife, Jenny. We have two energetic and wonderful boys, Daniel (four and a half) and Paul Ezra (two and a half). I graduated, by the grace of God, from Clarkson University with B.S. in mechanical and aeronautical engineering. While in school I had a life-changing experience with Jesus Christ. Since 1993 I have worked for the Kendall Company of Tyco Healthcare as a manufacturing engineer. We mainly make dialysis catheters, tracheal tubes, etc.. Our family is building a house in Greenwich, NY. We are all happy and healthy. I am trying to get the boys and Jenny in front of a digital camera, however, the energy level of the two boys has escaped an acceptable photo so far." As all of us with kids can empathize. Keep trying, Mark, and send along the first good one.

Also back from the missing is **Christian Zabriskie**, "Zabs", who says, "I am doing great. I got married in August. My wife Vicky and I tied the knot in Appalachicola, FL (which is every bit as remote and southern as it sounds). **Eric Gilman** came all the way from Arizona to be an usher. We met down here and she is finishing up a MFA in film at FSU this year. I have gone back to school myself and am doing a master's in Library and Information Science, which essentially means that I will be qualified to be a librarian. Right now though I am more interested in corporate research and think-tank stuff about the web, data-mining, and Chinese business practices in data trade and exchange. (All of which sounds terribly clever but really isn't, just a lot of reading and some coding). I will be in Tallahassee until August then we are looking to make a move to New York City. Just for the record I had nothing to do with the election snafu and was one of the seemingly few Florida voters who can say without a doubt that I voted for Gore. Congratulations on your new daughter. I think that is really wonderful and Vick and

I look forward to starting our family soon."

I also have a bit of "breaking news." I was so glad to get back in touch with **Kara Moheban** and **Jason McLoy**. Kara called to tell me that she and Jason are expecting their first child in June! I was so happy to hear her news and will be sure to update all of you as more info becomes available.

I would like to thank all of you for asking about me and wishing my family well when you write. It is so great to hear from you and I appreciate your wishes. It feels like yesterday that we were all together in Morning Meeting. Please keep the news coming and I am only too happy to pass it along to the *Archon*. Have a great spring!

## '89

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Here is the update on the Class of '89! I will start with myself. I am happy to report that I recently got engaged to Aaron Hirsch, a former faculty member at GDA. Aaron and I will be married at the GDA chapel on July seven. We will then be moving to Singapore by the end of July. We will both be teaching at the United World College of Southeast Asia. We will always have an extra room and we extend an open invitation to classmates, colleagues and former students who would like to vacation in Singapore or in any of the neighboring countries (Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Indonesia). So, lots of news on my front and lots of changes!

**Jen Ashare** wrote with news a while back, she wrote, "I 'retired' from the legal business. Finished up at the end of February and moved to my sister's in Long Island. Currently studying for the bar exam in New York (next week) and will be starting my new job August first—event supervisor for George Little Management. I will be working on trade shows mostly. The office is in White Plains so I will be moving closer to that soon." She also said to say hello to the class.

**John Wilson** wrote twice during the last info period. First he wrote, "I talked with **John Hellerman** a few weeks back. He's in the process of moving from Chicago to D.C. Don't quote me on this, but I think he might be named President of the company he works for, Levick Communications. Anyway, John and I also managed to discover that one of our old English teachers, Bob Cornigans, is alive and teaching at Milton Academy. Both of us were thrilled by the

news and have since corresponded with Mr. Cornigans via email. Mr. Cornigans is currently on a sabbatical in South Korea and says he might establish permanent residency there." I then heard from his family the second time..."Greetings! My name is John Stackhouse Wilson Junior. I was born at 5:40 PM on Friday, February 2ND, 2001 at Baylor University Medical Center. I weigh seven pounds and 14 ounces and I am 20.5 inches tall. People tell me I look a little like both of my parents. My Mom was a real trooper throughout the entire delivery and is recovering at home with me right now. She feeds me well and I am doing my best to make sure that she knows the NickAtNite TV schedule. As a friend of my parents, you can call me Jack (my Uncle Larry can call me Jack Stack, but that's because he's a little strange). Anyway, I'm looking forward to having the opportunity to meet each and every one of you sometime soon. Thank you for your prayers, thoughts and support throughout my Mom's pregnancy and the delivery. I've had a lot of fun hanging in with her, and now I'm looking forward to hanging out with you!" Congratulations Wilson family!

In addition to **John Wilson's** update about John Hellerman, I also heard directly from him. He and his wife Stephanie are enjoying their relocation to Washington, DC.

**Jessica (Cowles) Pidgeon** wrote to say "Just moved into our new home in Portland, ME. Happy to be further south. Will is now 14 mos old—expecting baby two in April. Husband Bill was just offered job with foreign service (branch of U.S. State Dept). We'll be spending many years to come living abroad in various posts around the world." Jess—if you are in the Southeast Asia area—come visit!

**Joseph Lipchitz** wrote (after many years of silence) to say, "I am a litigation associate at Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo in Boston [I hope I got all that right, I had trouble with your handwriting Joe!]. This past November I married Jillian Erdos, my law school love, in Bedford, MA. We had our honeymoon in Barbados, which was absolutely fabulous. Hope all is well."

**Christina Hilliker** wrote, "This past summer I went to **Allison Rynak's** wedding and saw a bunch of people that I have missed. It was great to see everyone. I am still doing I.T. recruiting and currently enrolled in a Dale Carnegie sales course. Learning is never-ending. I went to Ireland over the summer on a bike tour down the southwest coast. It was beautiful and the best way to see a country. Other than that, life is the same. My email is hilliker@psi4jobs.com."



**Amy Sheehan** wrote to say that this past summer she and her husband moved from Indiana to New York City after her husband, Tom, graduated from Notre Dame's MBA program. She says they love New York City and it is great to be back on the east coast.

**Lauren Flower** (email: lflower@surf.free.com). "Recently moved to Gig Harbor, wa, about 40 minutes south of Seattle. We have a view of Puget Sound and Mt. Rainier. Still waiting upon our pending adoption. Hello to all!"

OK—that is all for now! I am off to visit my brother Adam who is a wildlife biologist in the Caribbean. St Maarten for eight days should be great! I hope all is well and I hope to see some of you in Singapore!

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**David Smith** is teaching English at Northfield Mount Hermon School. He is coaching wrestling and lacrosse. He also runs a dorm so his schedule is hectic. He recently saw a ton of GDA alumni/ae at **Billy Batchelder** and **Catherine Tuthill's** wedding. It was a blast.

**David Johnson** has his M.A. from the University of Wisconsin in Latin and Greek, and a M.A. from University of Cincinnati in Latin and Greek. He is working on his PhD.

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10TH CLASS REUNION  
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Well I am not even sure how necessary this column is as thanks to **Merrideth Kalil**, our class has been united on line. Merrideth spearheaded a initiative to create a email list for our class and was quite successful. Mer managed to get at least half of our class ( if not more) together via the web. I have reminded her that we get to vote at our reunion for class secretary...so keep her in mind—I have planted the seed. This email list has al-

lowed people to get back in touch with each other and created interesting dialogue across the board. Thank you Mer for getting it all organized, hopefully this will just get everyone excited to come back for our tenth, which if it is anything like our fifth, will be memorable to say the least.

**Warren Prescott** wrote to say that he is getting married in April in Texas, and also keeps in touch with **Jon Whitesides** who also recently got engaged. Congratulations to you both.

It seems as though a lot of people are tying the knot. **Dave Corbett** is still in Los Angeles but will be leaving this summer to attend business school in either New York, Chicago or Boston. Dave will be getting married this August and caught up with **Brian Novelline**, **Andy Mack**, **Graeme Jones**, **Todd Graff** and **Nick Dunham** at **Phil Gatchell's** wedding this fall.

**Regan Jones** is also engaged, and will be getting married at the GDA chapel in June of 2002. Regan is teaching full time while finishing up a master's degree in special education.

**Michelle Paradis** is living and working in Brooklyn, however we should all keep our eye out for Michelle as she was recently "discovered" on the F train by a New York City modeling agency. Michelle is getting married this fall and hangs out with **Betsy Smith** who is also living and working in Brooklyn.

**Cathy Burgess** is working for Evergreen Funds as a regional sales manager in south Florida. Cathy now lives in Ft. Lauderdale and while it is certainly a change from the Northeast, it gives her lots of time to work on her golf game.

**Toby Levine's** Boston Yoga business continues to flourish. They offer corporate yoga programs, group/private classes and retreats. Check out her website at [www.bostonyoga.com](http://www.bostonyoga.com).

**Michelle Smith** is living in Oakland, ca and working at the Associated Press as a broadcast editor. She is hoping to see both **Alanna Caffrey** and **Dan Dalessio** at reunion.

I was in the Bay Area recently and stayed with **Billy** and **Catherine Batchelder**. Billy is a sales manager for EMC and Catherine is in the midst of finding a new job in advertising. We all caught up with **Pete Jacobs** who is still loving San Fran and is also working at an ad agency. We tried to meet up with **Bence Oliver** who also lives in the area but he was skiing in Whistler with **Matt Murphy**, **Stratton Newburt** and **Easton Craft**.

**Chuck Rodman** is enjoying being back in Boston and just joined Friedman and Ather-ton LLP. I finished my program at Parsons at the end of the year and I am contemplating a new move. I hope that everybody is well and that I will see you in June!

'92

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With spring here, it is time to reflect back on what our classmates were doing back in the dark days of winter. I enjoyed hearing from so many classmates over email, and I encourage more of you to do the same. Feel free to send me a note anytime, not just when the *Archon* comes out. I always enjoy hearing from you!

First, the wedding update: My correspondent in New Jersey, **Cassie Wicks**, reports that she had the chance to attend **Meghan Manzella's** wedding with **Danielle Dupre** and **Sandra Watson**. Danielle was married in February in Austin, tx. Cassie also got a chance to catch up with Meghan, Saundra, **Amy Daniels** and **Candice Denby** at the wedding. Candice is now living in Denver working for Rhythms.net and just graduated from an EMT school. **Tara Ryan** was engaged on Christmas Eve this year, and will be married in the spring of 2002 to her boyfriend of four and a half years, Joe McDermott. The wedding will most likely take place in Palm Beach, FL. Tara reports that she recently spoke to **Megan (Price) Hight '91** who recently had a baby boy. **Deirdre Heersink** will be getting married in July. This year, Deirdre taught high school history in Virginia. Shortly after getting married, Deirdre will begin medical school at The University of New England. **Ted Capeless** is busy with his wedding plans and will be married May 19 in Pennsylvania. I'm going to get married in July in Newton, but I already wrote about that in the winter issue. The wedding section of this article is now concluded.

**Sally Simpkins** writes, "I'm not getting married, nor having a child, nor buying a house." Instead, Sally is single, living in Boston, and loving it.

**Brooke Whiting** is enjoying being back for the alumnae hockey game and seeing old friends at the December holiday party. She is thrilled to be back in New England and to get re-involved with GDA.



**Christina (Morss) Williamson** says: "I got married to Stewart Williamson on September 16, 2000, and we live in our home in West Newbury."

**Chris Nielsen** is living in Newburyport after moving from Brooklyn, NY. Chris is doing architectural work for his father in California. Chris creates drawings on his computer, and sends them to him via the internet. Chris writes, "We telecommute everyday. It was nice at first, but it gets a little boring after awhile. So, we (Chris and his wife Timerie) are moving to Oakland at the end of March. We met up with **Chris Ruggerio** and I've been communicating with **Matt Remis** via email. I just got an email from **Javier Braun** the other day." **Matt Remis** writes that he has been living in Los Angeles for two years teaching at a private day school. Matt is in the process of finishing his first book and has already found a publisher. Matt sees **Nick Lapierre** and **Hoyt Morgan** quite a bit. **Javier Braun** is also living in Los Angeles and is back in school in the MBA program at UCLA. Javier is looking forward to the possibility of a summer internship, and eventually hoping to land an investment banking job in New York.

**Jon Kazanjian** writes, "The previous article contained a gross misprint. I have had nothing or little to do with the massive delays our project has undergone. If you check the records our contract C17A1, originally scheduled to be completed by November 2001, is only one month behind that original finish date." Way to go Jon! **Jason Pierce** is working for The Integer Group Advertising Agency doing online marketing and e-commerce development. In his free time, Jason is also working on his MBA at the University of Denver. Most importantly, the skiing has been great. Jason writes, "The mountains have been getting pounded and I have been lucky enough to get in a few days. I am still trying to land a 360 iron cross." **Justin Philbrick** is busy in New Hampshire, running the family nursing home. This spring, he will be working on constructing an assisted living section.

Finally, **Miles Van Rensselaer** writes, "Had a strange experience outside the Holland Tunnel recently while en route to meet **Trip Hosmer**, whose club I may do some custom metal work for Beep, Beep. 'Miles!' I turn around and there is **Cindy** and **Sandy White** in the car next-door! Strange... Where is the Alaskan Doctor? I need my medication!!!"

Ten year reunion is only a year away. Have a great summer everybody!

'93

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As I am looking back at the responses I received for this edition of the *Archon*, I am realizing how many of them date back to December of last year; I am sorry that these updates might appear out of date but I suppose it is better to pass along the news late rather than never.

Last summer, **Shirani Wickramasinghe** was in New Mexico before embarking on a cross-country trip to her job in Los Angeles. While she was looking forward to a good year of teaching, she was already planning her next long trip—a year-long adventure to begin September of 2001.

**Alberto Dominguez** graduated as a doctor in medicine at the University of Los Loguna in Spain. He studied part of his carrier in Brussels and Switzerland and at present he is specializing in surgery in Belgium. Last summer he worked in Africa with "Medicos Mundi."

A "reliable source" wrote in to tell me that another alum, **John Shea**, has turned up in Los Angeles. He is working as an associate producer with E! Television.

Just a little bit further north in San Francisco, **Kenseth Thibideau** has been diving head first into the underground/experimental/rock music scene which has been both rewarding and confusing. After three years near the Golden Gate Bridge, it looks like Ken will be heading to Phoenix where his parents are, he seems to imagine himself finding a stable, comforting wife and a job as a local car salesman (or at least creating the music for their commercials) in order to "discover the fine line between ignorance and happiness." (Somehow, I don't believe him). Apparently Ken is still good friends with **Trip Hosmer** though and they were able to visit one another a few times last year.

Having just come back from a long weekend in San Francisco herself, **Ilse Abusamra** is in full swing reading applications for Vassar College to make admissions decisions about next year's class. She spent a lot of her "free" time last year at weddings including those of **Christina Morse '92**, **Kristen & Derek Ambrosi**, and **Alexis Colby '91**. She is still planning on getting to Boston in some capacity next year whether it be grad school or work.

Ilse did tell me some great things about Kristen & Derek's wedding but I also received the following note from Kristen directly:

"The day was the 'happily ever after' to our fairy tale relationship. Beautiful weather, friends and family, a great band, and more romance than you could imagine filled our wedding day with smiles and tears all around! The highlight was the song that Derek had written which he sang to me at the reception—an incredibly genuine moment none of us will ever forget. Joining us in the celebration were: **Erin (Elwell) Rich '92**, **Archie Seale '93**, **Anne Olney**, **Jill Hindle**, and **Tom Hand '00**, an usher."

**Jill Hindle** is now teaching at a private school in Saxtons River, VT—Vermont Academy. She coaches boys soccer and cross country skiing while juggling the responsibilities of teaching American Literature to eleventh-graders and one section of freshman English. She enjoyed celebrating **Derek and Kristen Ambrosi's** big day with **Anne Olney** and company.

Also coaching sports is **Martin Laperriere**. He is in his second year as full time head coach of the Laval Midgett AAA team (high school). They had a great season last year, finishing first in their division! He is hoping to make his break into film with a production in Quebec; the film is about what? Hockey, no less. He might not be the star of this movie but who knows where it will lead... At least he isn't too famous to stay in touch with friends like **Pat Gervais '92** who Martin reports is enjoying married life!

You could say that **Ingrid (Eilertson) Cunney** is also enjoying married life—she wrote to tell me of the recent birth of her



Kristen (Hand) '93 and Derek Ambrosi '93





Guests at Rob Kealler's '93 wedding: (back row, left to right) Pierce Love '93, Dan Morison '88, Danielle Kealler '90, Matt Casellini '93, Jody Dan '93, Laura Renna Riley '93, Rachel Haynes '93 (front) Jeremy Lyons '93, Rob, Josh Bromley '93

daughter, Ruby Ann, on November 22ND, 2000. Just before having the baby, Ingrid met up with **Keri Mulloy** who is reportedly living in the Portsmouth, NH area.

Yes, I am also still in Portsmouth, still recruiting. I did recently move to a new apartment which I am pleased to report is bigger than a walk-in closet. Conveniently, it is directly across the street from **Jennifer Saunders'** apartment.

You may recall that **Andrea Manning** was once Jenn's roommate but Andrea has left Portsmouth and is now living in New York City! She has a great apartment on the Upper East Side which she shares with a college friend and works for Michael Page Recruiting located in the landmark Chrysler Building. She is enjoying the blitz of the Big Apple.

Andrea did tell me that she gets to see more of **Anne Savage** who is back in New York attending law school at NYU. Anne says that it is a little stressful but she really loves

it. While she is living in the East Village, Anne was looking forward to a brief visit to her parents' home in Maine to enjoy the outdoors for a short while.

Well, that is about all you wrote. I hope everyone is doing well and I wish you a happy & healthy 2001. Until next time.

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It seems as though the class of 1994 is up to some really amazing things. Not to mention that we're spread all over the globe.

**Cara Costanzo** is living in Charlotte, NC where she and her fiancé, Matt have bought a house. They will be married on September 7, 2001.

**Becky Vieira** is having a great time in New York City. **Chris Rice** is in Denver, working as a software analyst and developer. He is considering business school for Fall 2001. **Dan Vermeersch** graduated with a degree in graphic design. He is planning on getting a Masters in business. **John Markos** is working for a telecommunications company in Quincy, MA called Network Plus Corp. He lives in Cambridge, MA with a couple of friends from college. He has been in contact with **Dave Costa**, **Michelle Dumas**, **Melissa**

**King** and **Sani Silvennoinen '93**. He hopes everyone is doing well and people should drop him a line at JMarkos@npl.net.

**Niki Whelan** is traveling Thailand with her boyfriend. She has been to Australia, New Zealand and Samoa. She still has Japan, Laos, Vietnam and Europe left to go. She is hoping to run into Mr. Rowe showing some people of Southeast Asia how to do a tie stand.

**Melissa King** is finishing up her second year teaching in El Salvador, traveling a lot in Guatemala, Honduras and Costa Rica. She is looking for a new international teaching position—maybe Asia?

Things are going well for me out here in Los Angeles. I still work on Drew Carey, Norm and Nikki and I just added another show to my list—a new pilot called “Bag-time” starring Johnny Galecki (of “Roseanne” fame). Hope everyone's doing well and I'd love to hear from you guys.

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**Ashley Russell** says: “I am working in New York City at the design office for the GAP. After leaving Brown University, I went to San Francisco to go through the corporate training program for GAP, Inc. I spent two months in each key area—marketing, merchandising, planning, and production. At the completion of the program, I had a great opportunity to move back east and work in the design office. I work as a liaison between the San Francisco and New York offices. I am the product manager for women's accessories. I build a business strategy for the designers each season according to business and fashion trends. It has been an incredible experience, and I love each day!”



Alberto Dominguez '93 as he graduates from the University of Laguna as a Doctor of Medicine.





Kurt Danielson '94, Jenn Mulloy '94 and Tim O'Keefe '94 in Aspen, co for the World Cup Ski Race.

'96

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## 5TH CLASS REUNION

June 8, 9, 10, 2001

I just wanted to start off by thanking everyone for responding to my letter, especially since I heard from several newcomers to the *Archon*. Hopefully, everyone is doing well and preparing to make a triumphant return trip to the old stomping ground for reunion weekend.

Well, to start off with, **Lea Miner** writes that she graduated from Lewis & Clark in April of 2000 with a degree in communications and a minor in theater. **Katie Meyer** reports: "I am prolonging the 'real world'. I am working at a fly fishing store, playing golf and tennis, and enjoying myself." **Josh Novis** graduated as well and **Matt Prindeville** came out to see the ceremony. If anybody ever hears from Prindi, it would be great for him to drop us a line sometime. After graduation, she moved to Homer, AK, and is starting her second season as the office manager of the largest halibut buyer in Homer.

Anybody can reach her at leaminer@hotmail.com.

**Raymond Long** comes to us from New York City where he is currently staffed on a project for Accenture (formerly known as Andersen Consulting for all of you who saw our horrendous commercials during the Super Bowl). It is kind of interesting that Ray works for Accenture out of their Boston office, **Jorge Flores** is working for them out of the Los Angeles office, and I am working for them out of the Chicago office. He says that he has been working insane hours as of late and has not been able to do much of anything else. His sister is currently attending GDA and he has been back a couple of times. Last weekend, he went back to participate in the alumni basketball game. He looks forward to seeing everybody at reunion weekend.

**Ariele Ebacher**, like myself, made the

daunting decision to move out to Chicago, whereupon every Midwesterner asks why did someone from the east coast move here rather than New York City or Boston. She works for the Midnight Circus as a tight-wire walker and will travel with this group to Italy in February and then open a new show in May here in Chicago. She is trying to take things onestep at a time and stay balanced in life and on the wire.

Unlike many of us stuck in the cold, **Jason Olbres** writes us from the warm confines of Maui where he will be working on a pineapple farm and guiding mountain biking tours. He is trying to indulge in all of the outdoor pursuits before lining up a job next fall at a private boarding school in New England. Maybe he will find himself back at GDA. He looks forward to seeing everyone at Reunion.

I just want to thank **Jason Rivera** for his enthusiasm, when I opened his letter it read, "How's it going swat? Send me an email, Rivera." He graduated in May, and was working as the marketing director for a surf company. He has since left this job, and now works in Boston as a youth marketing consultant. He is currently working with the likes of MTV, Sony Records, and a bunch of others organizing promotions and special events. He regularly runs into **Matt Perry**, **Scott Grenier**, **Dan DiPietro**, and **Ryan Donahue**. He gives everyone in the class all his love and encourages everyone to email him at xsurferboyx@hotmail.com.

**Kim Konevich** cannot believe that our class reunion is here in June. She spent the summer working on Martha's Vineyard and in October left to backpack around Europe for about two months. She is now back in Boston and considering heading back to



Blair Taylor '95 and Judy Sethma '95 rafting the River Ganges in northern India



school soon. She hopes everyone is doing well and looks forward to seeing everyone in June.

**Kathryn McCandless** says that a lot in her life has changed over the past year. After graduating last June from Wheelock College in Boston, she married a wonderful man named Vander Barbosa. They recently bought their first house together in Hyde Park, MA where she is currently researching a kindergarten teaching position. She hopes to see everyone in the near future.

**Janna Panall** writes that she is still living in Greenwich and working for Kate Spade. She was home for the holidays and had the opportunity to visit with some GDA friends. She spent an afternoon choosing bridesmaids dresses with **Katie Renna**, **Mara Zanfagna**, and **Jill Hindle '93**. She also went out for drinks with the girls and her brother **Jeff '91** and his gal pal **Anne Onley '93**. All is well as she busily plans the Labor Day Wedding.

**Matt Perry** writes that on his last trek around the country in the spring that he ran into a couple of GDA cats, where he saw Ezra on the way out, Carla and Benson on the way back. He stopped in Lake Forest, but missed DiPietro by two weeks; but he still partied with some of his classmates though. Life is well, he is working as a snowboard instructor at Sunday River, and filling in at a ski bar at nighttime. He is actually back in school, going fulltime at U Maine, pursuing his own made-up degree in anthro-polisci-ecology/hippie-Buddhist-save the world; it's right in line with everything he has stumbled upon in his "dharmaquests" out west. He's in love with a California girl, who's out at Stanford. They hung out all last summer while he was bartending at a tavern in Camden, ME. She was out here all last month on break, and he just put her back on a plane so he's a little bummed, but he's flying out there in a month (not driving this time) to do a little riding out at Tahoe with the girl and some friends so he's not too bummed. Other than that, he is just chilling and loving life... if anybody wants to come by the river or drop him a line, give a call at (207) 836-2582 or email him at snowridermpp@hotmail.com. He misses everybody tons and can't wait to see them at Reunion.

**Aaron Sells** writes that he spent New Year's with some class of '96 greats including **Kelly Porter**, **Cat Pear**, **Dan DiPietro**, and **Jason Randlett**. As for himself, he is in his last semester at Bates College and is doing a

clinical internship at St. Mary's Hospital and will be continuing onto grad school.

**Katie Lyons** says that she just graduated from the University of Colorado at Boulder in May, moved back east and is working as a marketing coordinator for Welch's Foods. She loves being in Boston and hopes to get an apartment soon. She'd love to hear from anyone who's in the area, and can be reached at klyons@welchs.com.

Finally, since graduating from Hamilton last May, I have moved out to the Windy City with my girlfriend from college. Somehow somehow I find myself working at Accenture as a technology analyst, even though I graduated as a French major. Possibly moving to Germany to work in Frankfurt for about a year. Besides that, I have heard from **Todd Walters**, who is currently living in San Francisco, and **Jerry Vasicko**, who is in Milwaukee, and just saw Ariel perform here in Chicago last week. I am proud to say that GDA has produced an excellent talent on the high wire. Like everyone else, I am hoping that all of you will be able to make it back for Reunion in the spring. I can only imagine how much can be had. See all of you soon. Cheers.

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**Moritz Elkmann** has been in Africa for two months and in Spain, where he worked in Madrid. He is resuming his studies of economics in Germany. He is looking forward to winter so he can do some skiing.

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**Yuki Tsubomatsu** says: "Greetings from the Big Easy! It's hard to believe that I will be a senior here at Tulane soon and only one more year to go. I'm a double-major in marketing and information systems and a minor in sociology. After my junior year I'm planning to intern as a marketing analyst for a computer firm during summer, hopefully on the west coast. I keep myself busy with extracurricular things like RA and computer lab jobs, as well as team captain for soccer club and Asian students organization member. I still play guitar with my friends a lot. I'm planning to get a job in the states after graduating from Tulane, but my dream is to go to a music conservatory and/or an MBA program, and eventually go back to my home in Japan and improve our education system. My email address is ytsubom@tulane.edu and look forward to hear from you!"

**Jessica Savage** says, "My junior year at Denison University has been wonderful! I was able to get together with **Elle Erickson** on a Saturday afternoon for a Denison/Kenyon football game. I head to Auckland, New Zealand this February to study for seven months."

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**Robyn Klein** is enjoying Montreal living in an apartment. School is going well and she is learning to snowboard and is still playing hockey. Over Christmas break Robyn and





Luis Gomez '98, Adrian Elkmann '98 and Julio Gonzalez-Lopez '99 meeting up in Madrid, Spain

**Becky Dosh** went to visit **Marika Hull** down in Savannah. Marika is doing better this year enjoying living off-campus in an apartment. She is busy writing a short script for her film class about boarding school. Becky loves life in Hawaii also living in an apartment off-campus with her doors wide open. Marika is expecting a visit from **LaDonia Daniels** during spring break. LaDonia is enjoying school taking nursing classes.

**Jim Meniates** writes that nothing is too exciting, but he is enjoying school and is driving back down to Florida in January. **Naomi Fink** had a productive first semester. She interned at MTV/VHI in Times Square helping with the production of interviews and a daily radio show. She still sees **Adele Chase** and is in touch with **Nichelle Warren '97** and **Eric Gordon '97** as well as **Zenovia Wright '00**. Naomi is majoring in sociology and enjoying crew.

**Sarah Willeman** is busy at Stanford working hard so she can enjoy the warm weather during her spring quarter. She is eagerly awaiting a trip to Florida soon to ride her horses in the Palm Beach Masters Show including a new Grand Prix Horse, Hurricane. She is enjoying her classes for the most part, learning to play the guitar, and doing lots of dancing—mostly swing and salsa.

**Jason Charles:** "So far I've been surviving life in Haverford, PA. College is tough, but life is good; memories of GDA are still vivid within me. I wish all of you luck with your lives, and hopefully we'll all see each other on the other side."

**Jessie Soursourian:** "In January, I re-

turned to San Andres, a small town in Guatemala by the shore of Lake Peten-Itza, where I worked with kids in a library that opened a year ago. It's built into a hill—the streets all wind up and down and houses look onto each other's roofs. The other side is green and jungle-like, with big white birds (egrets, maybe?). Anyway, I was staying there with an awesome family of six for a month last summer also."

**Justin Marshall** is taking a year off from West Point after back surgery this past summer. He is very excited to go back to West Point this summer.

Several ex-officios responded with news including, **Liz Robson**. She is attending Lesley University in Cambridge to become a teacher. She absolutely loves it there and has run into a few GDA alums in Boston. You can email Liz at [Lizzirobson@hotmail.com](mailto:Lizzirobson@hotmail.com). **Mike Kerr** finished a year on the road for work last summer and then began attending U. Mass. Amherst. He is in Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity and having a great time. **Todd Bolint** is at his second college, The University of Southern Maine. He traveled around this past summer with **Chuck Diamond** and is now sharing an apartment with **Jonathan Spector** who is also attending the university. The two see **Nathaniel Sprague** and Todd occasionally joins nearby Bowdoin friends. He also makes frequent visits to Boston to spend some quality time with his Guatemalans **Gian Carlos** and **Luis Aguirre**.

As for myself I have been busy with school at Emerson and working. I see a lot of **Megan McShane** who is now living in Boston taking

classes at Emerson and working as a waitress. I hope everyone is doing well and enjoying life. I encourage more of you to write in next time. Take care class of '99!

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Hi everyone! I hope you are all doing well. It was great to hear from everyone who sent in postcards. Keep sending them or emailing to let us know what you are up to. I am busy at Trinity. I am volunteering at the Boys and Girls Club in Hartford teaching a basic computer class and helping with homework. The kids are a lot of fun and I am really enjoying it. As for **Meghan Barry**, next year she is living with **Katie Stormont '99**, and over New Year's Meghan, **Brooke Barnaby**, **Sarah Jameson**, and **Meaghan Barnaby** went down to Florida.

**Daria Grayer** wrote, "Hello from Hot Lanta to everyone. Oh, it's warm here. So far Spelman College is great! I love it! I truly wouldn't rather be anywhere else. The work is hard but I am keeping up. Track is taking up a lot of my time. We go to the Nationals soon so my track schedule has been crazy. Watch for me on ESPN2! As you can see I have been keeping myself busy. Another thing that is taking up a lot of my time is my work with a local television station... I have my own show called 'Street Search!' It is so much fun."

**Marc McDonnell** wrote, "I just completed my first semester at the USCGA. I am playing hockey and lacrosse for the academy. The academics are extremely challenging and very stressful. On a positive note, I was named to the Commandants of Cadet's List, which is for Military Honors. Also "carry-on" is on the horizon which will make life somewhat normal and more relaxed."

**Tom Hand** wrote, "I am busy as ever at U. Mass. between classes, work, and the symphony band I am playing in. I am enjoying life on my own. It's great being at a place where you can meet a lot of people. I was named to the Dean's List for the first semes-



ter. I see **Madeline Schientaub** and **Ben Webber '97** around campus frequently. I had a good Christmas break and got to see **Catherine Correia** and **Gretchen Gee.**" He also keeps in touch with **Dan Muxie.**

**Lindsay Gobin** wrote, "I'm playing varsity softball for Denison and I just pledged to the Alpha Chi Omega sorority. I've kept in touch with quite a few people: **Stacy Shealy, Elizabeth Coolidge, Paige Ramsdell, Kai Kaiser, Mark Lipman, Zenovia Wright, and Merrill Lamont.** I see **Kim Gilmore, Jess Savage, and Kate Hecht** on campus often. I saw **Janet Hanson, Stu Gilfillen** and **Brittany Perham** over break, as well as **Yori Senser.** Everyone seems to be doing well. Look me up if you're in Columbus, OH."

**Mark Lipman** wrote, "I'm back at school for the second semester of the year, though it will be my first, and I'm doing great! I had to take a leave of absence from Brandeis the first semester because I got very sick and missed too much school to try and make it up, but that's all in the past. On my time off, I began taking guitar lessons and even went to see *Rent* on Broadway! I am singing in an acappella group called Company B and am thinking of majoring in psychology and art. At the moment, I am taking it easy though. I miss everyone!"

**Jamie Gilberg** says she loves school and pledged in the fall. She is in Alpha Epsilon Phi and is really enjoying it. **Rachel Abdulla** is on a club lacrosse team at GW. **Sarah Jameson**, also at GW, just visited **Teaya Bromley, Holly Erickson, and Kempton Randolph.**

**Jay Salony** is working with an environmental group up at Bowdoin focusing on global warming, and often gets to work with the Maine media.

**Anne Marie Adamczyk** played soccer last fall. She says she is taking a really interesting, but challenging chemistry course. She loves living in her single at Johns Hopkins.

**Madeline Schientaub** is looking forward

to this semester and is taking a lot of classes. Over break, Madeline marched with the U. Mass. Marching Band for President Bush's inaugural parade.

**Joe Cacciatore** is having a good time at Gettysburg but misses New England. Classes are tough, but he is looking forward to a successful first year.

**Janet Hanson** is playing hockey for Connecticut College. **Chris Rothwell** is on the rugby team at PC. **Diana Burnell** is doing track at Wheaton. She said the team practices four or five hours a day!

**Carson Shedd** wrote, "I made the varsity hockey team at Bowdoin and plan to play baseball in the spring. I see **Amelia O'Reilly** and **Jason Salony** all the time. This summer I hope to work and live in the Boston area."

**Elizabeth Turnbull** ran cross-country this past fall at Colby. She says that Maine is beautiful and has been snowshoeing a lot. Earlier this semester, **Michelle Wheeler,** visited Elizabeth up at Colby. Elizabeth told me that Michelle is done touring with Up With People and she is now traveling to Southeast Asia to do community service and travel.

**Kempton Randolph** has gotten involved with environmental issues up at Skidmore. A GE plant near the Hudson Bay dumped toxic chemicals into the bay and is trying to avoid cleaning up the bay. A local rally was held to discuss the issue and Kempton spoke in front of hundreds of people explaining the benefits of a clean-up.

**Elizabeth Tomasino** is majoring in Bio Chemistry and Music Performance. She is taking a theatre dance class that she loves. **Mike Tomasino** is a business major and was invited to try out for the varsity soccer team this spring. **Karen Bissell** is in a dance program at Syracuse and loves it.

**Eve Seamans** is enjoying Drew, however, she is looking for a change next year. She is planning to travel to Austria and Slovenia at the beginning of the summer.

**Gretchen Gee** likes living in Cambridge

and sees GDA alums often. She is looking forward to spending the summer at home in Maine.

**Seth Dubinsky** informed me that he transferred to the New York Institute of Technology. **Lindsay Gilmore** has also transferred to UNH.

**Katie Graham** is busy at UVA and is pledging Tri Delta. She sees **KK Scharfe** often. KK is extremely busy with lacrosse.

**Sarah Jameson** says: "I have been enjoying volunteering at various non-profit organizations where I work with homeless children in the inner city, continuing to lifeguard at my school's athletic facility (George Washington Univ.) as well as observing the hustle-bustle of a politic-crazed Washington, DC."

**Bettina Romberg:** "I just wanted to say that I'm doing well at Emmanuel, Boston is great. Over the summer I went to Germany and Austria and visited **Pia Klein** and **Marika Guderian,** who both seem to be doing well over there. I saw **Bryan Hilliard** a few weeks ago, he says he is loving Roger Williams. For spring break I am also visiting **Nina Dakin** in Bermuda, which I think will be wonderful. I would love to hear from everybody, here is my email address: romberg@emmanuel.edu."



## ARTHUR FULLER '30

The school was recently notified that Arthur Fuller died on Memorial Day, in 2000.

## SHELDON HARRIS '37

The school was recently notified of the death of Sheldon Harris.

## PHILLIP W. LEES '37

Phillip Lees died on December 22, 2000 at the Lebanon Center Genesis Elder Care in Lebanon, NH. Born in January 1935, Lees served in the Army Air Corps 73RD Fighter Squadron after graduating from Middlebury College in Vermont. He was awarded the Bronze Star and a Good Conduct Medal for his service in the Central Pacific and the Okinawa Campaign. After the death of his wife Patricia Wenzel in 1986, Lees moved to Woodstock, VT where he met Esther Frost who he married in 1992. He was a member of the Main Street Congregational Church in Amesbury where he served as superintendent of Sunday School, chairman of the deacons and a member of the board of trustees. An active member of the community, Lees headed a campaign to build three new schools in Amesbury and was chairman of the board of trustees of the Amesbury Public Library. Lees is survived by his wife Esther; a daughter, Sandra Cassano; two sons, Peter Lees and Sen. Brian Lees; two grandsons; two step-granddaughters; and a great grandson.

## DONALD W. MORTIMER '40

The school was informed that Reverend Donald W. Mortimer '40 died on March 29, 2000

## REVEREND JEFFREY C. WILSON '43

The school was informed that Reverend Jeffrey C. Wilson '43 died on December 17, 2000

at home after a long struggle with heart disease. After graduating from GDA, Wilson attended Brown University and Yale University Divinity School. He was ordained by the Connecticut Conference of the United Church of Christ in 1973 as pastor of St. John's United Church of Christ, Even City, PA for 14 years, the North Yarmouth Congregational Church, UCC for four years, and St. Peter's United Church of Christ, Punxatawney, PA for two years. Rev. Wilson leaves his wife Barbara DeForest Adams Wilson; two sons, Jonathan Adams and Andre Wilson; a daughter, Sarah Rimkunas; and his brother and sister.

## ROBERT CHAMBERLAIN '46

The school was informed by his wife Margaret that Robert Chamberlain died at home on September 30, 2000.

## WARREN ELLSWORTH, JR. '46

George Duffy '46 writes Warren Ellsworth, Jr. who was often called "Shorty", died June 16, 2000 at Bethesda Memorial Hospital in Palm Beach, FL. He was 72 and is survived by wife, Edith, two daughters, three step-children and 13 grandchildren. Growing up in Worcester as we did, I have many fond memories of Warren. One was riding together on his motorcycle to Fenway Park to see our beloved Red Sox. We'll miss Shorty.

## JOHN BERDAN GARDNER '47

John Berdan Gardner, 71, of DeKalb, Illinois, died December 6, 2000 at Kishwaukee Community Hospital in DeKalb. Born May 17, 1929, in Boston, Massachusetts, he was the son of Charles Sidney and Margaret Bill Gardner.

On November 26, 1977, John married Joyce Eileen Anderson in DeKalb, Illinois. John retired from Northern Illinois University in 1992 from his position as Acting Director of

the Physical Plant after 24 years of service.

John received his Bachelor of Arts in English from Harvard University in 1951, his Master of Arts in 1953, and his doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania in 1961. Prior to his years at NIU, John was employed by the University of Pennsylvania and by Brown University where he was a professor of English.

He was a member of the University of Rhode Island Club, the Harvard Varsity Club, and the Hasty Pudding Club. John was a member of the First Lutheran Church of DeKalb where he served as an usher. John is survived by his wife, Joyce, a son and daughter, two sisters, and by his former wife, Margaret, a daughter and three sons.

## DANA WINSLOW ATCHLEY, III '59

Dana Atchley, a performance artist and video producer, died of complications from a bone-marrow transplant at Stanford University Hospital in Palo Alto, CA on December 13, 2001. After graduating from GDA, Dana went on to earn degrees in art at Dartmouth College and Yale University. Dana, who is credited for pioneering an art form called digital storytelling, won praise for his autobiographical show "Next Exit" which he performed at film and video festivals around the world, including in Byfield for Reunion weekend in 1999. Atchley is survived by his wife Denise; his two daughters, Gillian and Megan; his mother Barbara Welch French, six sisters, and a granddaughter.



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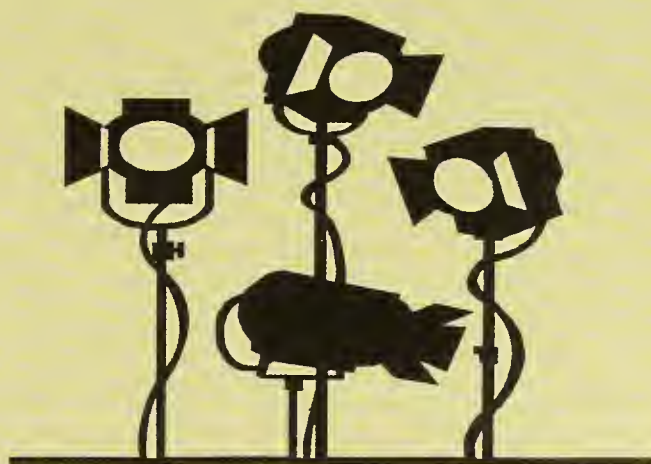
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